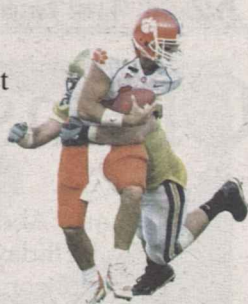


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Derby Days benefits national charity



SING YOUR HEART OUT! Karaoke song and rhyme is featured at Derby Days as students from different organizations step up to showcase talent.

BEN PHILIPS, JR./contributed photo

Campus organizations take part in a week-long series of events with the goal of helping the Children's Miracle Network.

ANNA REID
STAFF WRITER

The Eta Phi chapter of Sigma Chi at Clemson University ended a week long philanthropic event to benefit the Children's Miracle Network this Friday as Derby Days came to a close.

Children's Miracle Network is the national charity benefited by all Sigma Chi chapters in the nation.

According to its Web site, "Each year, Children's Miracle Network hospitals provide more than \$2.5 billion in charitable care; these non-profit children's hospitals depend on community support its hospitals treat 17 million children each year for every disease and condition imaginable."

Greenville Children's Hospital is the local Children's Miracle Networks' affiliate, and all donations and money raised during Derby Days benefits local children who are treated at the facility.

The brothers of Sigma Chi host a week of festivities around campus and in the city each fall.

Sigma Chi raised an impressive \$35,700 in donations last year, more than double the previous year's record of \$17,000.

This had a lot to do with the decision of the fraternity to stray away from the traditional band party held at a local bar to end Derby Week and instead join forces with Tiger Paw Productions for an outdoor concert at LittleJohn Coliseum, which featured Corey Smith.

"This year we look forward to building on our previous success and surpass last year's total," said Sigma Chi

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"Security" or "Pandora's Box"?

A pressing issue on the national level becomes a concern of Clemson city officials and residents.

COHEN SIMPSON
STAFF WRITER

The ongoing problem with the immigration of undocumented individuals in the United States is one that has resulted in much frustration and strife among many American people of all races.

The issue is one of extreme complexity and can only be understood through a greater acquisition of knowledge of the situation.

James Findley, Director of International Faculty and Staff Services for Clemson University, stated that there is "a general misunderstanding of

immigration laws by the media and the public."

Many agree that a widespread misuse of terminology and perpetuation of harsh racial stereotypes by outlets such as the mass media fuel immigration tension. Closer to home, City of Clemson officials continue to deal with numerous meetings and discussions concerning illegal aliens in the Clemson area.

The reason for doing so: to cut back the number of illegal aliens working in Clemson area businesses.

However, Clemson Mayor Larry Abernathy stated in regard to proposed legislation that "If we get into the business of painting certain ethnic groups, we'll be in trouble."

Findley stated that racial tension in the area is

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McClorin educates on Plan B

Guest speaker visits Clemson to address the availability of oral contraceptives.

LOUISE GOODMAN
STAFF WRITER

On Sept. 28, Lottie McClorin, program manager of the South Carolina Emergency Contraceptive Initiative, visited Clemson's Department of Women's Studies and the Redfern Health Center.



LOTTIE
MCCLORIN

McClorin's reason for coming to Clemson: Plan B, better known as "the morning after pill."

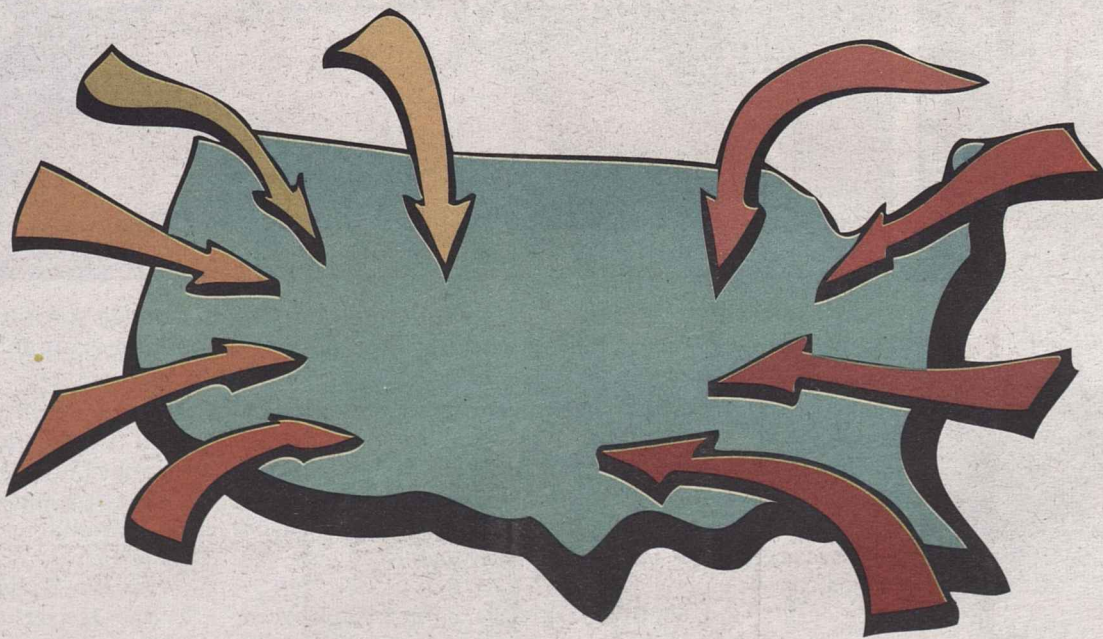
The South Carolina Emergency Contraceptive Initiative works with local health care providers, emergency care centers and college campuses to educate people about which kind of contraceptives are available and how to obtain them.

McClorin met with Clemson women's studies professor Elisa Sparks, and the staff of Redfern Health Center.

She also arranged future visits to Clemson, the first being a reproductive health education forum on Oct. 24, titled "Sex in the 21st Century."

As part of the South Carolina Emergency Contraceptive Initiative, McClorin shares the common goal of educating students and people of all

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Clemson area will shag for Mayor's birthday

Mayor Larry Abernathy requests for his birthday to be about charitable organizations.

JENNIFER SALANE
NEWS EDITOR

The City of Clemson held a press conference on Friday, Sept. 28, to discuss Mayor Larry Abernathy's birthday, coming up on Oct. 12.

The plans are set to go; there will be a birthday celebration for the Mayor, only the Mayor does not want gifts.

He wants his birthday party participants to make donations to either the Clemson Free Clinic or Clemson Community Care, or both.

"The Mayor has been through life changing events over the past 18 months," said City Administrator Rick Cotton. "Instead of purely a birthday party, we would like to allow it to be more of a fundraising event for the community."

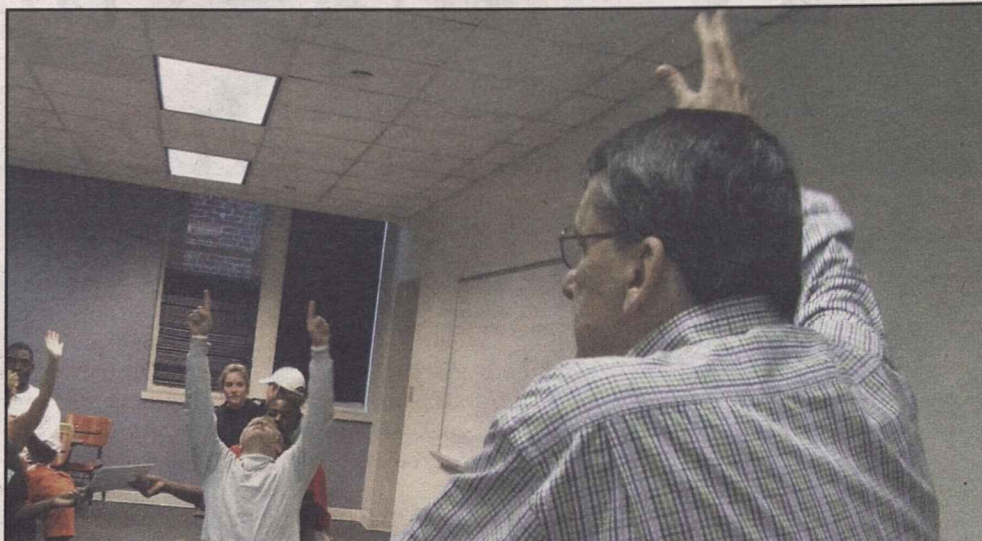
The event will be sponsored by friends and support of the city, not financing. There will be dancing, food and refreshments, and those not interested in doing any dancing are still encouraged to stop by.

"When you're 60 years old you remember a shagging event," Councilman Butch Trent said. "The point is to have a band and refreshments and let people have a good time, and at the same time, place boxes around the area so that we can collect donations of any sort."

Mayor Abernathy and Trent have been friends for a long time, according to Trent, and combining two such commendable social organizations and one good cause makes for a worthwhile event.

Peter Sparks, chairman of the Clemson Free Clinic Board of Directors, attended the press conference to provide additional information about what the Clinic does.

Sparks started working for the Clinic seven-and-a-half years ago. The Clinic,



CHESON PARKER/staff

RAISE YOUR HAND: Mayor Abernathy is a professor for the School of Education at Clemson University and serves as the Mayor of the Clemson area.

which is run by volunteers and serves the Pickens, Central and Clemson areas, provides free health care for people who have no health insurance and fall below the poverty level.

The Clinic is located at the Clemson Community Care Facility and is open on Wednesdays from 6-8 p.m.

The Sullivan Center on Clemson University's campus is also used from time to time on Wednesdays, but requires a fee for admission.

"We typically see anywhere from 15 to 30 patients per night," Sparks said. "We have a pharmacy associated with the Clinic

“When you're 60 years old you remember a shagging event.”

- Councilman Trent, long-time friend of Abernathy

that provides medication and a dentist that provides free treatment, too."

Once an applicant is qualified they can begin using the Clinic, no questions asked, according to Sparks.

Although their location is not permanent right now, Sparks and his volunteers hope to settle down soon. Naturally, money is the main factor in the slow development of a facility.

"Most of our money, at the moment, goes to the pharmacy," Sparks said. "We try to use generic drugs when possible; I think we are close to being stable enough to look into

permanency soon."

The current poverty level, according to Sparks, is \$20,000 for a family of four, and the Clemson Free Clinic would like to raise that poverty level.

"It would be nice to have a building with a classroom," Sparks said. "The classroom could be used to convey information about nutrition. It would be more than just a doctor's office."

Denise Kinard, director of Clemson Community Care, was also in attendance at the press conference.

Clemson Community Care was established in 1988 and currently has 26 churches reporting to serve the facility.

Mayor Abernathy is one of their original supporters, according to Kinard.

Clemson Community Care provides a food pantry, financial services and an assortment of other programs for their clients.

Clients do have to pay a small portion, as a part of the community, and the staff is looking to increase their services to the elderly.

"We would love to use a classroom, too," Kinard said. "We're about to do workshops, and teach our customers about ways to save energy and things like that."

The alternative to developing the Clemson Free Clinic and Clemson Community Care is for patients to travel to Easley or Anderson to obtain treatment, according to Sparks.

"With local doctors at the service of our community, we get the community involved," Sparks said.

A live shag band will perform at Mayor Abernathy's birthday celebration. The party will be held at the Catherine J. Smith Plaza on College Ave. in downtown Clemson from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. on Oct. 1, and the public is invited to come.

Donations for the Clemson Free Clinic and Clemson Community Care, of any sort, will be accepted on behalf of birthday gifts for the Mayor.

Derby Days: Fraternity brothers entertain for good cause *from page A1*

brother Scott Buckman, a senior. "We had the opportunity to go on a tour of Greenville hospital and saw our donation money at work. Since we raised such a great amount, we actually aided in starting up a SAFE-KIDS program in Pickens County."

The SAFE-KIDS program is currently in effect in Pickens County thanks to the Eta Phi chapter of Sigma Chi. According to the Greenville Hospital's Web site, "SAFE-KIDS Upstate is an injury prevention coalition with more than 70 community partners who join together to prevent childhood injuries and deaths in upstate South Carolina."

It also has an arrangement of community events and edu-



ALLISON FRANKE/staff

I SAW THE SIGN: This banner was submitted by the Chi Omega sorority chapter at Clemson for the 2007 Sigma Chi Derby Days banner contest. The banner competition is an annual tradition.

cation programs, ranging from car seat safety, school safety and home safety.

This year, "Derby Days in Dixie" consisted of a banner competition on Sunday, Bowling Tournament on Monday, Dance Competition on Tuesday, Karaoke Competition on Wednesday, Derby Chase on Thursday and, finally, a Luke Bryan concert on Friday.

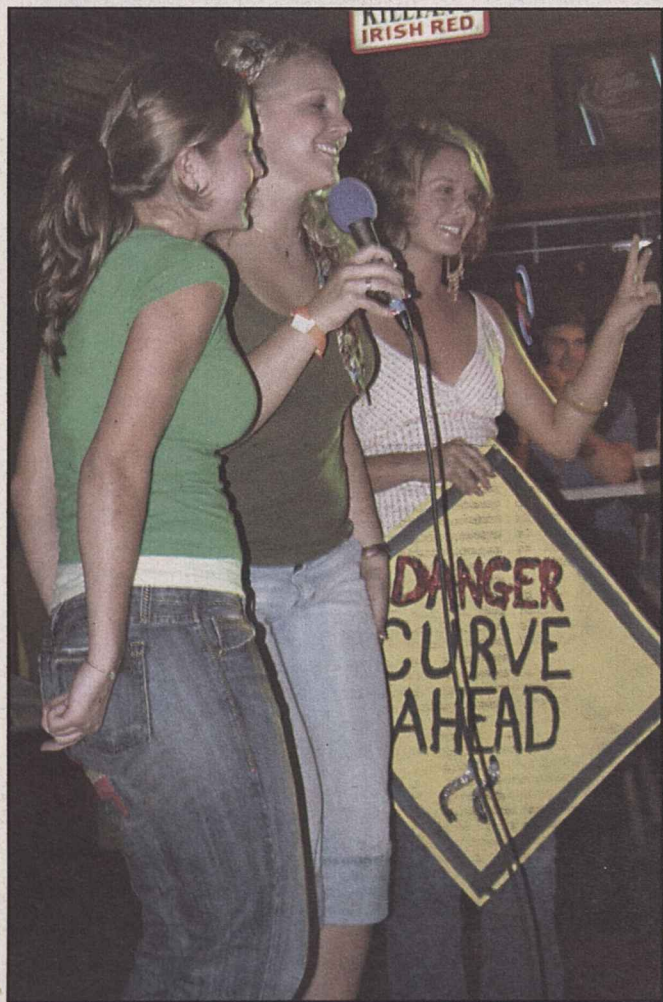
Considering Luke Bryan will have a Top 5 single when he visits Clemson to perform at LittleJohn Coliseum, the fraternity is hoping that the country singer will bring in as many ticket sales as Corey Smith did in 2006.

All of the events held throughout Derby Week are

designed for each of the 11 sororities on campus to participate in. The sorority that wins the majority of the competitions wins Derby Days overall.

Also, each sorority selects a Derby Queen who is responsible for raising money for Derby Days and ultimately the Children's Miracle Network.

"We take a special pride in bringing Derby Days to Clemson University each year because the donation to Children's Miracle Network represents not only our brother's efforts, but the entire Clemson community's willingness to support the children of Pickens County" said Sigma Chi brother Ben Trammell, a senior.



BEN PHILLIPS, JR./contributed photo

SING IT SISTER: Clemson students participate in the karaoke contests in lieu of Derby Days.

Miss Homecoming Pageant: Behind the Scenes

BY LEAH WORTHY

On Thursday, Sept. 27 Clemson University hosted its annual Miss Homecoming Pageant. This pageant is a beloved part of Clemson University's Homecoming tradition, but like many of our traditions, most students don't consider what goes on behind the scenes in order to make such a production as successful as it is.

Clemson University Student Government (CUSG) Activities Director Margaret Hearon began planning the 2007 pageant last spring. First, a date was determined, decorations were ordered and judges were selected. Each year, the panel of judges consists of two men and two women, one of which has had at least one pageant experience. All judges must be members of the Clemson family since the competition is centered on the contestants' pursuit of the maximum Clemson experience.

This year, the panel consisted of Jeff Davis, who was the captain of Clemson's 1981 national championship football team, Katherine Hawkins, professor and chair of the communications department, Rusty Guill, the associate dean of students and Shelley Bethall, Miss South Carolina 2006.

At the beginning of the fall semester, each registered student organization on campus had the opportunity to elect a pageant representative. A wide variety of organizations participated this year including sororities, fraternities, service societies, the Fine Art Student Association, Blue Key Honor Society, Orientation Ambassadors and the Residence Hall Association.

Once the contestants were selected by their organizations, they attended a general meeting where they had a chance to get to know each other and find out what was expected of them throughout the pageant process.

In order to prepare for the interview portion of the competition, each contestant was required to fill out a questionnaire regarding her Clemson experience thus far, much like a resume.

According to Tara Davis, one of the pageant's Top 10 finalists, "The judges are allowed to select questions from this list during the interviews, but most judges ask separate questions based on the information."

During their interviews, contestants were critiqued on their level of involvement on campus.

The interviews were held the week prior to the pageant rather than on the night of the pageant in order to limit the length of the show.

The night before the pageant, the contestants, escorts

and officials attended a dress rehearsal to get a sense of how the pageant was going to be run.

On the big day, contestants arrived at the Brooks Center hours before spectators in order to rehearse.

As the auditorium filled with their families and friends, the contestants' anxiety levels began to rise. Luckily, however, they were not alone. Each contestant was allowed to bring two pageant coaches backstage to help them get ready and keep them steady on their feet.

Contestant Michelle Sedlak chose two of her sorority sisters, Karen Ogrady and Courtney Elrod, because she wanted friends with her who could keep her laughing, and helps keep nerves at bay.

The women also had the support of their male escorts. Every year, the men who serve on the CUSG president's cabinet are asked to marshal the formal wear portion of the competition, but one escort, Seth Vining, believed it was his other alluring qualities that won him the highly revered job.

"I was chosen to be an escort because of my charm, stunning good looks and my passion for pageants," Vining said.

Whatever the reason they were chosen, the escorts played an important part in supporting the ladies. Vining described his fellow escorts as the cheerleaders for the contestants'. "Our job was to make the contestants at ease during the show," Vining said.

"We greeted the contestants with an arm to hold on to, tips and hopefully some words that helped with an anxiety that was about to onset," said escort Ryan Fernandes.

With all the attention on the contestants, one might overlook just how taxing escorting can be. Escort Brian Park explained that he might even feel lost now that escorting is no longer a part of his life.

"In the weeks leading up to the pageant, I spent hours upon hours preparing myself, mentally and physically, for the feat that I was to perform," Park said. "Being an escort to some of Clemson's finest females is a demanding role, which requires unparalleled mental toughness."

Backstage during the show, there was a fog of hairspray and anxiety in the air.

Sedlak likens the atmosphere to being on a sorority hall right before formal or getting ready for a high school prom with 29 other girls.

But even in the chaos of flying curling irons and wardrobe changes, the women found time to be supportive of one another.

"It was helpful to have a nice mixture of girls who had previous pageant experience and girls who hadn't," Sedlak said. The contestants rallied around each other in support.

Hearon and Merritt Willimon welcomed the crowd when the show began at 6 p.m. and introduced this year's master and mistress of ceremonies, Duncan McLaurin and Mollie Mcphail. Entertainment for the night was provided by performances from the Rally Cats and Tigeroar.

The contestants were judged on their performance in the interview, their level of involvement on campus, a casual wear competition and a formal wear competition. Each of these four categories made up 25 percent of the women's final score. These scores were only for the judges' use in announcing the Top 10 finalists at the end of the night.

On Oct. 16 and 17, the student body will be able to go online and vote for Miss Homecoming. The winner will be announced at TigerRama. Miss Homecoming and the first two runner-ups will be a part of the homecoming parade during half time of the football game. Following tradition, our Homecoming Queen will be carried by Sigma Alpha Epsilon's float.

ALLISON FRANKE/graphics



KATIE JONES/staff

Weekly World Update

National Report

■ A woman who was pressured into a marriage with her cousin by a polygamous sect leader said on Monday, Oct. 1, that she plans to set up a fund to help young girls escape polygamy if she wins her lawsuit. Ellisa Wall, 21, was forced by the leader the Fundamentalist Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Warren Jeffs, into marrying her 19 year-old cousin when she was 14. Warren was convicted of two counts of rape by accomplice for using his authority to force a "spiritual marriage." The fund that she wants to create will provide money for girls to get out of a marriage that is arranged against their will. Jeffs' sentencing is scheduled for Nov. 20, and he faces five years to life for each of the two counts brought against him.

■ The stepdaughter-in-law of a New York politician was found dead in a police holding cell in Arizona. Carol Anne Gotbaum of New York was found dead in the holding cell where she had been taken in handcuffs after being arrested at an airport. Carol, 45, was arrested Friday, Sept. 28, after a conflict with gate crews who would not allow her to board a plane, according to Sgt. Andy Hill, a Phoenix police spokesman. Police arrested her for disorderly conduct and handcuffed her, and neither a Taser nor pepper spray was used on Carol Gotbaum. The police officers escorted her to a holding room where she screamed. The officers checked on her when the screaming stopped and they found her unresponsive. Authorities are currently investigating if Carol Anne Gotbaum choked herself while trying to break free from the handcuffs.

■ The woman who survived over a week in a wrecked sports utility vehicle woke up in the hospital on Monday, Oct. 1. Tanya Rider, 33, told her husband that she recalls making a 911 call. The King County Sheriff, Sue Rahr ordered a review of all 911 calls related to Rider's case. Authorities believe that Rider ran off the road on Sept. 20 while driving home after working a night shift at a department store. Rescue crews were able to locate her by using cell phone technology, and they found her Thursday in a ravine off of a highway in Renton, Ore. Rider was taken to the hospital in critical condition, and she suffered from kidney failure, dehydration, a broken collar bone, an injured left leg, and a deep gash on her forehead. On Sunday, she was upgraded to serious condition. According to Tom Rider, his wife is doing better than anyone expected and will undergo surgery for her injured left leg and the damage to her forehead.

World Report

■ President of South Korea, Roh Moo-hyun, and his wife, Kwon Yang-sook, walked across North Korea's border Tuesday on his way to Pyongyang for a summit with Kim Jong Il, pledging to foster peace on the peninsula in the second meeting like this between its leaders. The president and his wife walked across a yellow plastic strip marked with the words "peace" and "prosperity" and laid themselves across the Military Demarcation Line that divides the Koreas in the middle of the Demilitarized Zone. The motorcade carrying the South Korean president will make a 125 mile excursion from Seoul to Pyongyang. The summit comes almost a year after North Korea tested a nuclear bomb, which lead to instability in the region. Roh said that he plans to build on the accomplishments from the first summit between North and South Korea. The United Nations Ambassador of North Korea, Pak Gil Yon, said that his government is looking at the summit as a way to improve relations and calm the tension between the nations.

■ Members of the Taliban hanged a teenage boy in southern Afghanistan on the charges that he had American money in his pocket. The militants stuffed five United States one dollar bills into his mouth as a warning to other villagers not to use the U.S. dollars. The teenager was hanged from a tree on Sunday, Sept. 30, in Helmand. Dollars are commonly seen in large cities where international organizations are located. Taliban militants killed another man in Sangin the day before the boy was hanged because the man had sought farm assistance from an international aid program, according to Wali Mohammad, the district police chief in Sangin. The militants accused the farmer of being a spy and shot him to death. Violent acts have increased in Afghanistan.

■ Myanmar troops staged arrests in Yangon to intimidate its citizens. People were dragged from their homes on Wednesday in the middle of the night and warned that they are marked for retribution. People living near a Myanmar shrine, Shwedagon Pagoda, have reported that security forces entered several dozen homes at about 3 a.m. and took away men and women for questioning. According to the U.N. agency, a U.N. Development Program Employee, Myint New Moe, her husband, brother-in-law and driver were among those arrested. Buddhist monks have been ordered to vacate their monasteries and to return to their hometowns and villages since the monasteries have been the location of anti-government demonstrations.



:30 seconds with...

Jennifer Salane: When did you graduate from Clemson?

Andrew Davis: When Barker couldn't stand me anymore. I was thinking about graduate school, but I ended up finding a horse head in my bed with his name signed to it and I figured four years was enough. I got out this past May.

JS: What are you doing now that you've graduated?

AD: I'm the national media coordinator for the Libertarian Party. Pretty much handle all their national press. My day consists of writing press release after press release.

JS: what is one thing you did that really made president barker upset?

AD: At first, I'd say the AK-47 raffle because it reached the national media. But, more people were for it than were against it, and the only real "negative" attention that came from it were the professors trying to shut it down. That got a lot of negative press. But, it would have to be the Muhammad cartoons

JS: Who's your vote with for the 2008 presidential election?

AD: Myself. Obviously that's the only choice.

Andrew Davis
Creator of the "STOP VT FROM
RUNNING DOWN THE HILL"
Facebook Group

JS: How did you find out about the possibility of Virginia Tech football players running down the hill, or is it just a rumor?

AD: As a member of the TAC Elite, I am privy to top secret information. As far as it being a rumor, I haven't seen anything on Snopes about it, so I guess that means it must be true.

JS: What made you want to create the Facebook group?

AD: I'm addicted to Facebook.

JS: Are you coming to the game?

AD: If you can get the Libertarian Party to give me Friday off of work, I might make an appearance.

JS: Do you care that people are upset with you for creating this Facebook group?

AD: During my time at Clemson, I've dealt with angry Muslims, dirty hippies and a very, very unhappy President Barker. I've grown thick skin.

JS: If you were given the chance to run down the hill with the football team, would you?

AD: Only if instead of Zombie Nation, they played Gunther and the Sunshine Girls afterwards.

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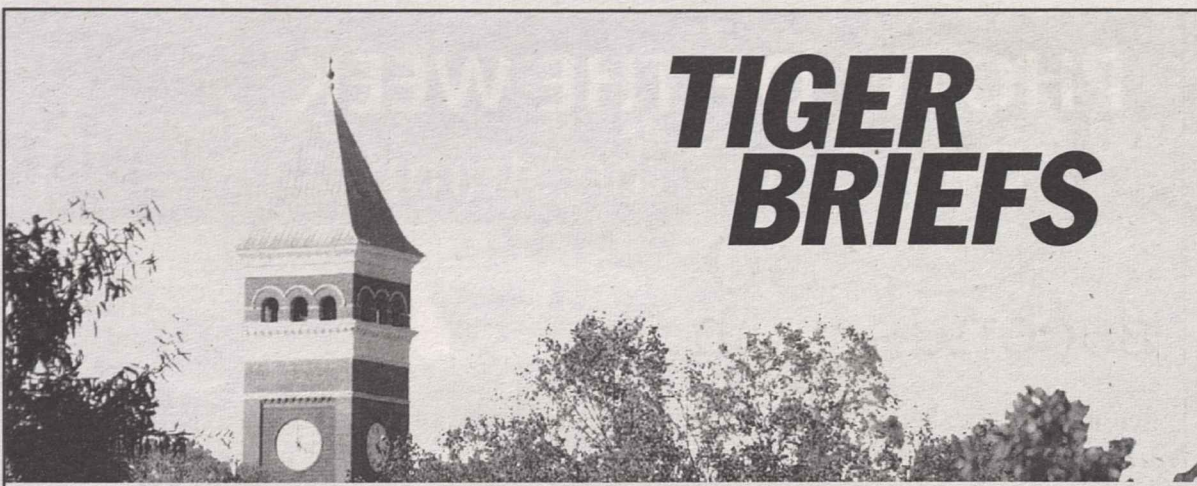
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amount of condoms that community groups in Washington, D.C., returned because of complaints that their paper packaging can be easily damaged and could make the condoms ineffective.



TIGER BRIEFS

The football game between Clemson University and Virginia Tech on Saturday, Oct. 6, has been designated Military Appreciation Day 2007. The event is sponsored by Clemson's Army and Air Force ROTC personnel, Clemson Corps, the athletic department and Tiger Band. The Military Appreciation Day will focus on military families and their contributions to the nation, and it will salute the campaign for the Memorial Stadium Scroll of Honor monument, the construction of which is scheduled to begin later this year. At 9 a.m., there will be a past and present military equipment display on Bowman Field featuring a U.S. Army Blackhawk helicopter and the U.S. Air Force NASCAR No. 21 car. The members of the 101st Airborne Division will have a parachute with the game ball, and there will be F-16 fly-overs of the stadium. The Army Cannon Salute Battery will honor fallen service personnel with a 21 gun salute, and it will be followed by a fallen comrade boot and helmet ceremony by the Clemson Ranger Club at half-time of the game.

Clemson University's College of Agriculture, Forestry and Life Sciences will host a memorial tree-planting ceremony at 5 p.m. Friday next to Tillman hall in remembrance of the Virginia Tech victims. Pat Layton, chairman of the department of forestry and natural resources, will serve as emcee for the event. Members of Clemson's faculty who attended Virginia Tech, undergraduate student body president Josh Bell, Clemson's, and other Virginia Tech alumni are scheduled to speak. Bartlett Tree Experts of Charlottesville, Va., donated the overcup oak tree that will be planted, and Alan Jones of Bartlett Tree Experts will also give a speech. The Clemson Memorial Carillon will ring 32 times in remembrance of those who lost their lives in the May 2007 shooting. A bronze plaque will be placed next to the tree that will serve as a reminder of what

the tree symbolizes. In the event of inclement weather, Brackett Hall auditorium is the secondary location for the memorial event.

In response to the national epidemic, a Clemson University professor has created a program to help prevent obesity in children. Clemson University professor and state program leader for food safety and nutrition, Katherine Cason, has developed a program called "Lucy's Tasty Treasures." Cason's program takes a "farm to table" approach to healthy eating and exercise for children, which is being offered to elementary schools this year through video streaming and DVDs. Cason's daughter, Melissa, plays the main character, Lucy, who is on a treasure hunt to locate and learn about healthy foods. Other actors include Emory Childress, who plays Austin, and Georgia Childress, who plays Charlotte. The DVD is already being used by Anderson District 4 for the first grade curriculum, and the video is being used in 30 percent of South Carolina schools. Cason has received approximately 100 orders from schools located in seven states.

Clemson student dies on Spring Break trip. The bioengineering department at Clemson University has started a fund in memory of graduate student, Michael Zebuhr. Zebuhr was fatally shot on March 18, 2006 during a robbery while visiting his family on spring break in Minneapolis. Zebuhr was researching sensors that would be placed on patients' legs recovering from an injury or a surgery to give feedback on their walking. The sensors could help a patient track progress in rehabilitation and could be used to teach students the mechanics of the human body. The department has set a goal of \$10,000 for the fund which will be given as grants to undergraduate or graduate students in bioengineering to help with independent research projects.

On this day in history... October 5

1921: The World Series was broadcasted on the radio for the first time.

1947: In the first televised White House address, President Truman urged Americans to refrain from eating meat on Tuesdays and poultry on Sundays to help starving people in other countries.

1962: The Beatles released their first hit, "Love Me Do," in Britain.

1989: The exiled Dalai Lama, Tibet's spiritual leader, was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize.

PLAN B: Pills readily available *from page A1*

ages of the positive uses and side effects of Plan B, produced by Duramed Pharmaceuticals.

The pill is a concentrated dose of the hormone levonorgestrel, found in birth control, which can be taken up to five days after unprotected or unwanted sex to prevent pregnancy.

It is not to be confused with RU-486, the abortion pill. Plan B does not terminate a pregnancy; it only prevents one.

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved the drug in 1999 for prescription use only. In August of 2006, the FDA approved it for behind-the-counter use, allowing women over the age of 18 to receive the pill from a registered pharmacist without a prescription.

The pill can be obtained by females under 18 with a prescription.

Although there is some social and political controversy that accompanies its over-the-counter distribution, it can be purchased at most drug stores, including

Wal-Mart.

Some states have laws specifying mandatory circumstances in which the pill must be distributed.

With visits like McClorin's College campuses like Clemson provide an excellent means of communication to a very un-reached group of individuals.

The South Carolina Emergency Contraceptive Initiative has been extremely successful in communicating with college campuses impartially, having already reached 5,000 people through informational packets and DVDs.

Nevertheless, McClorin feels that her mission is far from over.

She hopes to educate students on what Plan B is, how it works and how it can be obtained.

All students are encouraged to educate themselves on the pill. This can be done either through Redfern, their current physician or the South Carolina Emergency Contraceptive Initiative website at www.morningafterinfo.org.

In the Books

Campus Arrests

The following are arrests that were made by the Clemson University Police Department from Wednesday, Sept. 26, through Monday, Oct. 1.

Sept. 29

3:10 a.m., Andrew Ries, public disorderly conduct, R-1 Parking Lot, officer: Hughes

Crime Report

The following calls were among those that the Clemson University Police responded to from Wednesday, Sept. 26, and Monday, Oct. 1.

Sept. 27

1:25 a.m., open container/impeding traffic, Press Rd, officer: Hughey

1:46 a.m., minor in possession, Byrnes Hall, officer: Lehmann

3:08 p.m., skateboarding, Barre Hall, officer: Cassell

11:13 p.m., suspicious person, Bowman Field, Lehmann

Sept. 28

2:34 a.m., found property, Norris Hall, officer: Salisbury

5:34 p.m., harassing calls, Holmes Hall, officer: Cassell

6:51 p.m., larceny, R-2 parking lot, officer: Harrington

Sept. 29

7:31 a.m., tampering with vehicle, R-4 parking lot, officer: Hughes

12:20 p.m., indecent exposure, Avenue of Champions, officer: Moore

6:59 p.m., larceny, Cooper Library, officer: Cheeks

Sept. 30

12:28 p.m., disturbance, Clemson House, officer: Schutt

7:34 p.m., parking complaint, Cooper Library, officer: Harrington

Oct. 1

4:30 p.m., disorderly conduct, Hendrix Center, officer: Stevens

9:46 p.m., larceny, Fike Recreation, officer: Wyszynski

Fire & Rescue

The following calls were among those that the Clemson University Fire Department responded to from Wednesday, Sept. 26, and Monday, Oct. 1.

Sept. 26

3:45 p.m., fire alarm, Cooper Library, CUFD

5:47 p.m., medical complaint, Fike Recreation, CUFD

9:21 p.m., medical complaint, Intramural Fields, CUFD

Sept. 27

6:30 p.m., medical complaint, Highway 93, CUFD

Sept. 29

11:46 a.m., medical complaint, Littlejohn Coliseum, CUFD

4:31 p.m., medical complaint, Soccer Fields, CUFD

Sept. 30

1:55 a.m., medical complaint, Cook Lab, CUFD

Oct. 1

11:35 a.m., medical complaint, Harcombe Dining, CUFD

9:59 p.m., medical complaint, Fike Recreation, CUFD

11:11 p.m., medical complaint, 100 Hilton Street, CUFD

11:16 p.m., medical complaint, Field #4, CUFD

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relatively non-existent and that Clemson itself is very fortunate in its appreciation of diversity in population.

The complexity of the immigration issue is echoed in the taxing enforcement of many laws and regulations dealing with undocumented immigrants.

The United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS), a bureau of the United States Department of Homeland Security (DHS), is the chief federal agency charged with the enforcement of the Immigration and Nationality Act, which dictates that unsanctioned entry into the United States is a crime.

Along with Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), the largest investigative arm of DHS which is also responsible for identifying and dismantling vulnerabilities regarding the nation's border, economic, transportation and infrastructure security, and its sister agency the U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), DHS attempts to effectively protect United States borders against unlawful breaching.

And while many concede that the task of regulating U.S. borders is a federal right, in recent years there has been a push for a more localized acquisition of power in regard to undocumented immigrants.

"Localities and counties are trying to take the bull by the horn because the federal government is so slow in enforcing laws," Findley said. "They [localities and counties] are now trying to create a legal way of enforcing federal law."

Hazleton, Pa., passed an ordinance that allowed the fining of landlords that rent to illegal immigrants and local authorities to screen undocumented immigrants in police custody.

On July 26, 2007, a federal court struck down the Hazleton ordinance, branding it as unconstitutional; the ruling being regarded by many to set a legal precedent that can be used to block local immigration ordinances nationwide.

Clemson City officials have discussed a similar ordinance that would no longer allow the city to do business with companies that employ undocumented workers inside the city. Reiterating the complexity of the issue at hand, City Administrator Rick Cotton described the Clemson ordinance as, "a virtual 'Pandora's box,'" and later stated that, "It sounds simple,

but it isn't."

However, the federal court nullification of the Hazleton, Pa., ordinance forced a complete halt of any similar action proposed by Clemson until the Hazleton ruling runs the appeals process.

Roan Garcia-Quintana, anti-illegal immigration activist and adviser to the legislature on related issues, insisted on the cities reassessment to not enact the ordinance.

Garcia-Quintana felt that by not acting, Clemson would become a "de facto sanctuary city" that could expect a higher fluctuation of undocumented immigrants.

As of April 19, 2007, the South Carolina Senate passed bill S. 392, the Illegal Immigration Reform Act, which requires public employers to check the lawful status of newly hired employees in addition to mandating that police officers comply with federal immigration laws.

Findley called this bill a "security measure," stating that its intention is not meant to control immigration of undocumented individuals but to "ensure that those holding contracts with the state do not hire undocumented workers."

Mayor Abernathy suggested at a recent city council meeting that there be a letter, signed by each council member, to the higher congressman that are involved with illegal alien issues, to let them know that people at the local levels are frustrated with the nation's leaders and passionate about doing something.

However, many do not see illegal immigration as a problem solved by new ordinances and penalties. The Cato Institute devotes several pages online to emphasizing that the immigrant population, both legal and illegal, is perceived incorrectly by natives.

The Institute quotes the National Bureau of Economic Research:

"Neither the employment or the wages of less educated black and white natives worsened noticeably in cities where immigrant shares of the population rose in the 1970s. On the positive side, in cities with more immigrants, employment grew more rapidly or declined more slowly in low-wage industries where immigrants tended to find jobs and that less skilled natives moved in to better jobs. The broad implication is that immigrants have been absorbed into the American labor force with little adverse effect on natives (Abowd and Freeman).

War in Iraq paves way for results of 2008 election

Focus on the campaign trail slims down to suit needs of what is current, problematic.

JENN RAINS
STAFF WRITER

The presidential election of 2008 is already promising to be a milestone event for American politics with the prospect of the first female or black president taking office.

With President George W. Bush ineligible to seek another term in his presidential career, the 2008 election will bring a brand new president and a lot of change to the country.

And if that were not enough, this election is proving to be volatile because it is centered on one issue for many Americans: the war in Iraq.

Over the years there have been numerous issues that the American people were especially concerned with.

This factor ultimately helped one candidate over another in an election.

The war in Iraq has been a much debated issue from the beginning.

As time progresses it creates a bigger and bigger rift within the American public.

The war has already created a big shift in the country's politics because many Americans are demanding a change of policies they embraced before.

This was certainly evident even last November when the Republicans lost control of both the House of Representatives and the Senate.

By voting in Democrats to take

over Congress, it became blindingly obvious that Americans are unhappy with the job the Republicans have done.

The approval ratings of Bush and Congress steadily fell as more and more time was spent in Iraq with no sign of victory in sight.

With approval ratings currently at 36 percent and 24 percent respectively, and the presidential election thirteen months away, many are left to wonder if Democrats will soon take the presidential position from Republicans as well.

According to pollster Whit Ayres, who spoke at the 2008 Presidential Seminar class on Tuesday, Sept. 25, the numbers do not look promising for the Republican candidates.

The problem during the 2006 elections is the same problem Republicans will face in 2008.

It is not that the Republican base failed to turn out; the problem is that 57 percent of Independents voted for Democrats in the 2006 election, according to a Quinnipiac University poll taken in June.

With an overwhelming majority of Independents still leaning toward the Democrats, it makes winning for Republicans very difficult in 2008.

Although healthcare reform is the number one domestic issue in the upcoming election, "Iraq is overwhelmingly the most important problem facing the country," Ayres said.

Poll information gathered by Ayres shows that the majority of Americans are dissatisfied with the situation in Iraq.

He also states that 62 percent actually believe that Iraq is not worth it.

It is not hard to understand why Iraq is the most important issue of the 2008 presidential election, especially with the results of the next poll presented by Ayres.

In the poll, the American population was asked what they believed the most important problem facing the country is today.

The situation in Iraq got 30 percent of the overall vote, double that of any other issue voted on.

The party affiliation did not seem to play much of a factor in how people voted.

Forty-two percent of Independents and 31 percent of Democrats felt the situation in Iraq was the most important. The Republican vote was only slightly lower at 26 percent.

With numbers like these, it is no wonder why the presidential candidates are so focused on Iraq and defining their stance on the war.

The American public has made it impossible for candidates to back down from the issue of Iraq or not address their thoughts on the situ-

ation.

For some candidates, their stance on the war in Iraq is going to be the biggest factor to determine if they win the party nomination and, ultimately, the presidency.

As the campaigning efforts of each presidential nominees continue to develop throughout the country, the efforts to encourage the younger voting population also expands.

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St. John's scare gives helpful hint



Last Wednesday, St. John's University experienced a terrifying shock when 22-year-old Omesh Hiranman walked across campus carrying a rifle. The campus was quickly locked down as police and security apprehended Hiranman. Though the lock-down lasted for three hours, Hiranman was in custody within 20 minutes of his arriving on campus: Police spent the rest of the time making sure the campus was secure, finally releasing students and faculty to leave at about 5:30 in the afternoon.

Though unnerving, the events of the day did have at least one positive outcome: The text message warning system, which was only recently implemented at St. John's University, proved to be an effective way to get necessary information out to a large student body.

The University has had very little time to test its new system, but this scare more than proved the effectiveness of the young text messaging network. One of the major concerns that administrators had about the implementation of such an instant and comprehensive warning system was the possibility of mass panic, but after Wednesday, many of those concerns seem to be gone. The message was straightforward and clear in its wording: "From public safety. Male was found on campus with a rifle. Please stay in your buildings until further notice. He is in custody, but please wait until the all-clear." However, this lack of "sugar-coating" seems to have been quite effective. The message reached the student body just minutes after Hiram was apprehended, and students and faculty reacted

as well as can be expected, locking themselves in buildings and rooms or, until further notice. There was no hysteria, no pandemonium: The students on campus that afternoon — at least 10,000 were present at the time — remained calm.

These positive results have relieved some of the fears of other institutions that have begun to look at similar systems. Since the Virginia Tech shooting, Clemson University has been looking for ways to update its warning capabilities, and, following much the same track that St. John's has taken, Clemson has contracted with a text message alert service called Mobile Campus.

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nity. Though this method means
no direct charge to the student, the
floods of spam that might accom-
pany it make the idea of signing up
for such a service more a forebod-
ing thought than a comforting one.

And the spam comes in more than one form. Mobile Campus says that on its Web site that a student can receive as few as 0 advertisement messages, but even the messages sent by the University itself are sometimes extra or unnecessary.

And in its relatively young stint here at Clemson, the text messaging system already has students complaining.

However, Clemson is not the only instance in which students have been hesitant to sign up for a text message warning system. It's no secret that students are concerned about the deluge of unwanted messaging. Next to the pure annoyance any student would experience at getting multiple text advertisements every day, the "little bonuses" could really add up for those who

don't have free messaging written into their plan. The student's at St. John's University are a perfect example: When the warning message went out last Wednesday, only 2,100 people were registered on the St. John's network — many cited the possibility of spam messages as a reason against signing up for the network.

Spam might prove not only an annoyance but also a deterrent to the system's effectiveness as a whole. In receiving myriad texts, the student runs the risk of becoming numb to what would be just another text from Clemson or another great offer from the

local sandwich shop (honestly, how many free sub sandwiches from Subway can one person eat in a week?).

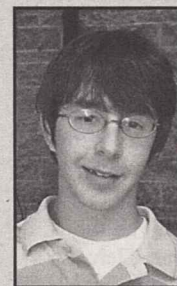
However, the overriding issue of a University's ability to maintain clear and direct communication with students in a time of crisis can get swept aside if we are not careful. Students at St. John's University are no different from students here in their concerns about the hassle of this new form of communication, but the day after Omesh Hiranman walked onto their campus with a loaded rifle, the number of students signed up for the plan jumped from around 2,100 to roughly 6,000. Though the system might not be perfect, St. John's students were more than ready to hop onboard after last Wednesday. And with the first successful "test" of the system, people are gaining confidence in the University's ability to handle an emergency by communicating with its student body. Perhaps we at Clemson should take a hint from the students at St. John's University. The potential benefits of a system like this one should, in the long run, far outweigh the consequences.

And, as this network evolves, the University might even work out some of the kinks. But until then, it might be worth it to go ahead and add names to the list. What's a little spam, anyway — especially when there's a chance for free subs?

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SPEAKING

Is Mobile Campus the most effective way to alert students in an emergency?



"Yes. It's better than e-mails."

Craig Goodman
chemistry
freshman



"Probably so. Most students have access to their cellphones at all times."

Jennifer Rahn
biological sciences
sophomore



"Definitely because everyone has a cellphone in class with them."

Kolby Seger
political science
senior



"If it were free, yes. Everyone carries their cellphones with them on campus. If it costs money, no one will ever use it."

Lakeisha Clinton
*pre-professional health
freshman*



"No. Not everyone will have their phones out during class. It should be used in addition to another form of communication."

Margaret Burns
nutrition
junior



"I think so because it's pretty easy to use."

Nick Childs
*engineering
freshman*

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

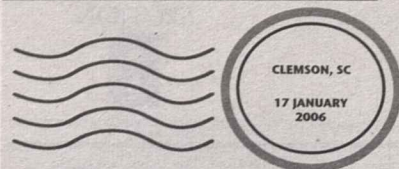


Photo encourages positive change

Bravo! for the photo of the week titled "Clean Cut."

Thank you for using this method to indict the blight. Having come to Clemson from Oregon a few years ago, I was struck with a seeming lack of regard for recycling. I hope the recent initiatives, such as "Keep Clemson Green," will turn the trend around. Keep doing your part to make Clemson a more pleasant place in which to live, study and work.

Scott M. Dutkiewicz

Sex column not trash

Just wanted to drop a note in response to last week's letter to the editor concerning the "On the Prowl" column. As an alumnus, I really don't think that Clemson's reputation could swing towards the negative on the merits of a sex column in the University's student-run paper. I think the column is refreshing, funny and well written, and I'm also happy to see women contributing to a column I enjoyed so much while I was at Clemson. If unapologetic "promiscuity" still ruins the reputation of a woman and a university, then apparently "On the Prowl" stands as an example of modern thinking. Keep it up, Go TIGERS!

Erin McCoy
Alumnus

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Short break blues

KEVIN NIEHAUS
Columnist



If there's one thing to look forward to at Clemson other than home football games and Harcombe breakfasts (seriously, they're the best meal on campus), it's the holidays. Everybody enjoys the chance to go home, kick back with the family and take a break from all the work that has smothered us for the first few months of school. Unfortunately, fall break, the first real holiday of the year, has been cut short this year because the Clemson football team took the liberty of running Florida State into the ground on Labor Day.

Honestly, I'm happy that Clemson decided to give students the day off on Labor Day. I think the idea of trying to go to class while thousands of inebriated people are tailgating right outside your classroom window is ridiculous, and I'm glad our university recognized that. There is no way I could have concentrated on Shakespeare with the smell of barbecue chicken floating through the window, regardless of the number of swordfights and sex scenes. However, as wise as Clemson was to give us that holiday, shortening Clemson's fall break was a poor decision.

Before I commence, I'd like to preface by saying that I live in Easley, S.C. The trip from my driveway to the Hwy. 93 exit takes exactly 25 minutes. I can do my laundry at home if I want, and I can spit on my house from here if the wind is blowing in the right direction. I'd be foolish to think, however, that I am in the majority by living so close to home. A recent poll of the fourth floor of Holmes told me I'm one of the few people lucky enough to live close to home. My room-

mate lives ten minutes from Clemson, a few of my hall mates live close to three hours away, but other than that, it's eight hours or more for the majority of the freshmen on my hall, and a three-day fall break is not enough time for students to feel they're getting a real break from school.

A three-day fall break leaves students with several problems. To begin with, many out of state students struggle to find a ride home. Usually an upperclassman with a car can offer these students a ride, but this year I've discovered that a three-day break is simply not enough to lure these upperclassmen from their apartments and their beer.

Aside from a lack of transportation, many freshmen are suffering from a lack of time. If one does decide to make the journey home, he or she will often spend an entire day driving, a single day at home and an entire day driving back to Clemson. This not only restricts the amount of time spent at home for students, but also restricts the amount of time said students have to complete their homework over the break. I expect many professors will return to find work undone and quizzes unstudied for.

To me, two solutions seem more logical: start school a day early, or add another day of exams. I find it hard to believe any student would really mind beginning school on Tuesday instead of Wednesday, and I would much rather spend an extra day at school before leaving for winter break.

Our college administration is made up of (presumably) well-educated minds. Instead of depriving students of a chance (and for many freshman their first chance) to go home, couldn't we have discovered a more reasonable solution?

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Violence natural reaction to ignorant injustice

JULIE GERDES

Columnist



It's the beginning of a new school year, in blazing heat. During lunch, a young man asks to sit in the shade. He is refused permission because the tree that is generating the shade has historically been occupied by white students.

He doesn't sit under the tree that day.

Regardless, the next day, nooses bearing school colors hang from the same tree's branches; those who hung the nooses receive the punishment of in-school suspension.

The year is 2006. The country is the United States of America.

Throughout the fall, peers continue to verbally and symbolically attack individuals because of their black heritage. Ultimately, six teenage boys become fed up with the constant aggravation of their character and retaliate in the way that most testosterone-driven adolescent kids do — with physical violence.

Consequently, all six are convicted of battery and attempted murder and the assumed "instigator" of the incident is thrown in jail for nine months, incorrectly convicted as an adult and held up to public ridicule.

The most bizarre fact of this series of events is not that it is so recent in a country that thinks it has overcome racial injustice or that the whole thing is based on skin pigmentation.

What confuses me the most is the initial reaction of the community to an obvious neglect of human decency. In fact, it seems almost as though local citizens were more concerned with the white kid who was sent to the hospital and his attendance at a ring ceremony that night than they were hurt by the fact that local high schoolers were still practicing Jim Crow laws on the playground.

I'm quite frankly taken aback by the fact that this kid was able to plan his little plot without his peers first so strongly denouncing the idea that he would feel like a fool before going through with it.

Furthermore, I am shocked that anyone in the 3,000-person community of

Jena, La. (where this occurred), let the original criminals off with a small wrist slap.

While many people take a passive stance toward the incident, saying that while the jury was unjust, the attack warrants severe punishment and should not be overlooked, while others take the position that the young boy made one mistake that shouldn't haunt the rest of his life, few are placing the responsibility of the violence on perhaps the most deserving.

Ignorance and that which doesn't make sense breeds anger. It is much easier to accept an injustice and let personal attacks roll off of one's back when its origin is evident and universally accepted. For instance, it is much easier to silently bear attacks on one's choice of hobbies when he or she knows that they participate in something controversial.

However, when the reason for attacks is merely the color of one's skin, it becomes too impossible to process and accept. Violence is a physical means to which confused individuals often result as a means of trying to literally eliminate a source of unjustified cruelty. Race is never going to be a choice. Therefore, if someone is not in agreement with an individual's race, the logic fails to add up.

It's like personally attacking someone's last name. It's all fun and games until that particular name becomes associated with a painful history and then pinned as the source for generic attacks. Spotted cases of unjustified taunts are possible to overlook, but once the expansiveness of illogical behavior becomes more concentrated, an equally illogical reaction is inevitable. Fighting poor logic with poor logic is often the way in which such issues erupt.

Ignorance breeds anger because of the impossibility to fight it. We must begin educating one another and holding each other accountable for actions that could lead to illogical responses so that light is shed on the catalyst of the problem before the eruption of dueling incomprehension. Otherwise, we will continue to be shocked by the recent dates of these kind of social injustices.

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Newspaper's decision defensible but foolish

LAYNE MADDEN
Columnist



On Sept. 21, the Rocky Mountain Collegian, a student-run publication of Colorado State University, published an editorial that read simply, "TASER this...FUCK BUSH," followed by a small-print statement reading, "This is the view of the Collegian editorial board..." The subsequent controversy surrounding this article would have probably been avoided except that there were no asterisks to tame the expletive, and this lone poetic couplet was printed in a font that was large enough to take up over a third of the page.

For those who have been too busy with class and Tignet.com to keep up with the news, this quote may seem to be a perverse combination of copulation, politics and science fiction. It is actually supposed to be a response to what happened last week when Andrew

Meyer at the University of Florida was subdued by police and stunned by a taser after he refused to relinquish the microphone at a town hall meeting with Senator John Kerry.

Consider the hypothetical argument that I can only generously infer the author was trying to make: "Andrew Meyer was only exercising his First Amendment rights in questioning John Kerry and was punished disproportionately. In the same sense, the author of this editorial will be disproportionately punished even though this newspaper is clearly protected from negative consequence by the Constitution.

This failure of justice is ultimately the responsibility of the President who is perpetrating his reign of terror by making John Kerry look bad during what was a perfectly civil discourse."

David McSwane, the editor of The Collegian, was quoted as saying that the purpose of the editorial was to spark a debate. In a sense, this same debate is occurring here at Clemson's own student-run newspaper. In response to recent

opposition of the weekly publication of "On the Prowl," the First Amendment has been frequently cited in defense of the viewpoints expressed.

What David McSwane and the anonymous authors of "On the Prowl" need to realize is that the Constitution states that no law shall be passed by Congress "abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble..." Unfortunately for these individuals, they have failed to understand that there is a difference between freedom and autonomy.

The common problem for Colorado State and Clemson at this time is that they are stuck between the ideal of "free speech" and the reality of financial support and public opinion. While in theory a university should be a beacon of free thought and expression, the task of attracting students and maintaining alumni loyalty is necessary and will often require compromise.

Though I applaud the writers of "On the Prowl" for their boldness and honesty, at some point

a distinction needs to be made between what is smut and what is an honest discussion about sexuality. For "On the Prowl" to be a true "sex column," a discourse should be encouraged where the large number of Clemson students who choose abstinence can have a voice in the campus conversation about sex.

I am happy to defend the right of free expression for Orson Swelles and Ivanna Johnson, but sexual tips and tricks can be readily found in Maxim, Cosmo and Playboy, which advertise what they offer; perhaps the writers of Clemson's favorite sex column should stick with a discussion that more uniquely serves the Clemson community.

Thankfully, our own Clemson writers suffer from a mild case of impropriety and not a malignant idiocy. Expletives aside, the entire editorial board at The Collegian should be fired for stupidity. The fact that the state of Colorado is spending tax-payer money to educate these students is a travesty and if I were a Colorado citizen, I would ask for my money back.

While "Fuck Bush" is certainly a legitimate and passionate emotional response, this same sentiment could have been more eloquently expressed by a twelve-year-old.

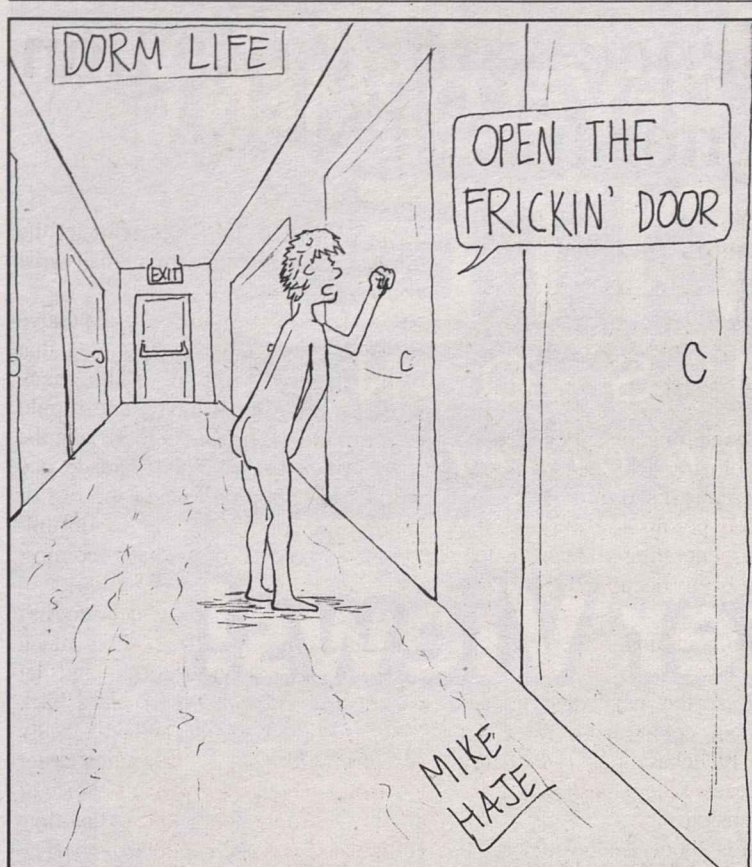
The editorial would have probably made more sense had it just included one phrase or the other; for them to claim to be making a political statement while defending the First Amendment with an expletive and the junction of two unrelated phrases is absurd.

The First Amendment may protect Americans from being persecuted by the government because of their speech, but hiding behind the Bill of Rights to avoid negative repercussions is like standing on a crosswalk and letting a CAT bus hit you.

Sure, you had the legal right of way, but that fact doesn't get you out of a body cast. Before exercising the right to speak their mind, some people need to consider their right to remain silent.

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PAWS UP, PAWS DOWN

In a true display of class, love, tact and devotion, a Pennsylvania man proposed to his wife at a demolition derby. The proposal was written on the side of the car that he drove in the race.



Trying to cut down on "social pollution," China has banned underwear, bra and sex toy ads. Apparently, the J.C. Penny catalog was not met with the same excitement there as it was here...



Aww: A pet store is displaying a "two-headed" baby turtle. The turtle is actually a pair of conjoined twins, and is/are in perfect health.



"Hello?" A woman was left in a CT scanner for several hours after a technician overseeing the scan forgot about her. When she finally got out, the clinic was closed and the doors were locked.



A toilet paper thief is on the loose in Wisconsin, hitting public men's restrooms at a local government center. One question: How much t.p. do you have to steal in order to make the news?



COMMENTARY

Dangerously remiss

AMY BICKETT

Columnist



Last week marked the fiftieth anniversary of a key moment in American Civil Rights history: the successful integration in Arkansas of Little Rock Central High. In remembrance of the Little Rock Nine and their symbolic importance in the struggle for racial equality, national news media have focused some of their attention on evaluating how far public schools have come since a national policy of desegregation was officially implemented.

I've come across several articles in the past week lamenting the de facto segregation that still characterizes hundreds of public schools across the nation. In addition to questions regarding the implications of this sort of segregation, which are in many ways different from those of pre-Civil Rights-era segregation, there is another question that seems just as relevant today: Do people care any more? Are issues like these still worth addressing?

This past June, a 5-4 majority in the Supreme Court placed limitations on public school integration policies, striking down integration plans for schools in Louisville, Ky., and Seattle, which sought to consciously create racially diverse student bodies.

While it remains constitutional for school districts to attempt to establish these diverse student populations indirectly, by making assignments to schools based on factors like family income or neighborhood poverty rates, a directly race-conscious assignment policy was found to be unconstitutional.

In his concurring opinion, Justice Clarence Thomas expressed an unblinking acceptance of de facto segregation and expounded upon his well-known opposition to affirmative action. Given his past opinions, much of what he said was to be expected, but I couldn't help but react to the following words:

"This court does not sit to 'create a society that includes all Americans' or to solve the problems of 'troubled inner city schooling,'" he said. "We are not social engineers."

I find Thomas' statement to be ironic on more than one level. First and most significantly, the federal judiciary has played a key role in

essentially restructuring the social landscape of America for quite some time. Case in point: Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka, in which the Supreme Court declared it unconstitutional for public schools to be segregated by law. The Court's decision gave fuel to the Civil Rights movement, to the struggle to create a more inclusive society. It amounted to both a recognition of social injustice and a deliberate attempt to remedy it, to engineer change.

In Swann v. Charlotte-Mecklenburg Board of Education, the court went a step further.

It held that busing students to schools in order to achieve proper integration was an appropriate response to the problem of racial imbalance, even if the imbalance resulted from the selection of students based on proximity to a school. With this ruling, the court continued to promote social change through its commitment to more thorough integration.

The way I see it, for Thomas to say that he and the other justices are not social engineers, that "creat[ing] a society that includes all Americans" is not part of their job description, is to imply that the court has no duty to address problems of social inequality. Clearly, certain justices in the past did not see things the same way — they identified social injustices and sought to remedy them by promoting integration.

Another great irony in all of this is that Thomas' ascent to his position as a justice of the Supreme Court was made possible by court's past efforts to "create a society that includes all Americans" and provides them with equal educational opportunities (also ironic is the fact that Thomas, an opponent of affirmative action, was admitted to Yale Law School under a set-aside program for minority applicants).

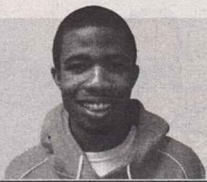
All ironies aside, Thomas' words are troubling to me, betraying an attitude of complacency toward social issues.

The anniversary of the success of the Little Rock Nine reminds us that the Civil Rights movement occurred not so long ago, but we don't need that to remind us that social injustices — those which involve race and those that do not — still exist and still require our attention.

Complacency won't provide a very effective remedy.

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Putting it off now leads to bad habit

DONOVAN JONES
Columnist

After approximately my third session on Facebook, my fourth game of solitaire and my third trek to my food-shelf within the hour, it finally hit me. The subject for this week's article had to be "procrastination."

Procrastination is probably one of the main issues that I wrestle with daily here on campus. Whether it is avoiding a research paper, ignoring an upcoming presentation or pretending that my online classes don't exist, procrastination always seems to exist for me in some shape or form. Unfortunately, I am positive that I am not the only one dealing with this matter.

Upon surveying a few of my acquaintances, it is obvious that pro-

crastination manifests itself in several different manners. Many choose to occupy themselves with videogames or television programming. Think of that friend of yours that gets no work done on Sundays because of the all-day NFL coverage. Others procrastinate by daydreaming, snacking, socializing with friends and using the Internet. Can you say AIM? And a few students even opt to clean and organize their rooms rather than bite the bullet and complete the task at hand. Clearly, procrastination is a widespread trend.

Regrettably, the tendency to procrastinate lends itself to negative consequences. The most obvious one is poor performance.

As most of us know, it is not uncommon that college students procrastinate studying for a test until the last minute. Sometimes students can employ this technique and still manage to perform well on test, but the opposite can also occur. Procrastination often limits a person's ability to per-

form well because the student is not as prepared as he could have been had he studied over an extended time rather than cramming all of the test material the night before the test.

While we often consider procrastination in the academic sense, procrastination can lead to problems in the professional context as well. For example, regarding the professional world that we're preparing for, tardiness due to procrastination negatively affects people's perceptions of us as responsible individuals, making promotions and other future advancements much less likely.

Furthermore, a person's tendency to procrastinate can also cost him career opportunities.

For instance, many people often procrastinate making important decisions because of the sheer magnitude of them. But, while thoughtful consideration is necessary, excessively long periods where a person puts off making a decision could, for example,

cause a person to lose a job offer to someone else that was willing to commit more quickly.

So, how are we supposed deal with procrastination? After all, whatever it is that we are procrastinating will normally still need to be completed. Why not just do it and get it over with? As students, with this alternative we could enjoy peace of mind throughout the day and largely eliminate the stress we experience as we race against the clock to make our midnight turn-in deadlines. We could be finished with our tasks and get on with our lives rather than spend hour upon hour pretending to do them. Furthermore, we'd be better able to satisfy more of our obligations, needs and desires without having to sacrifice as much because we'll be more time-efficient.

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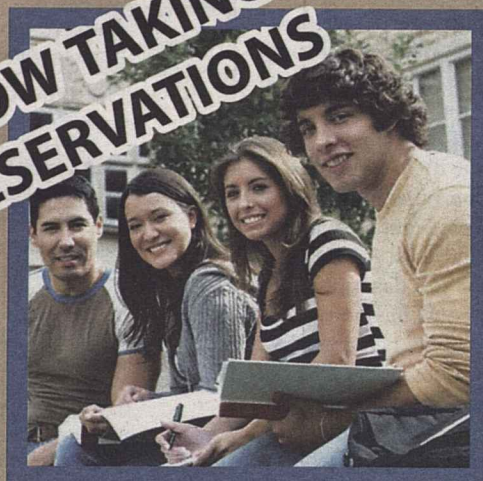
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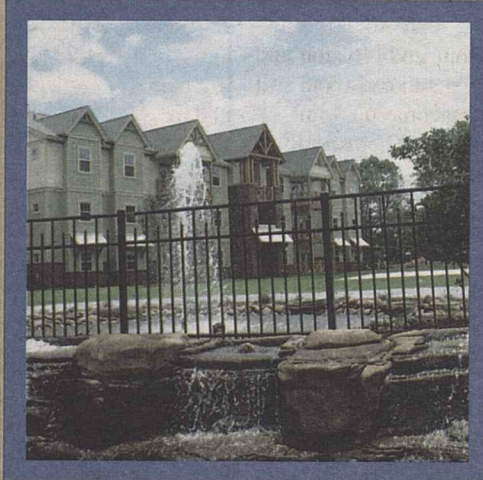
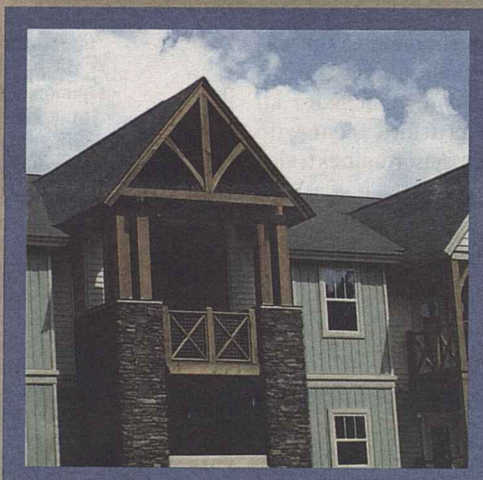
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Mistakes doom Tigers in loss

Georgia Tech defense sacks Harper six times, while holding Clemson to 34 rushing yards on 32 attempts

JOSH FORT
STAFF WRITER

Special teams miscues, a stifling Georgia Tech (3-2, 1-2 ACC) defense and multiple dropped passes were too much for the 13th ranked Clemson Tigers (4-1, 2-1 ACC) to overcome last weekend in Atlanta as the Tigers lost 13-3.

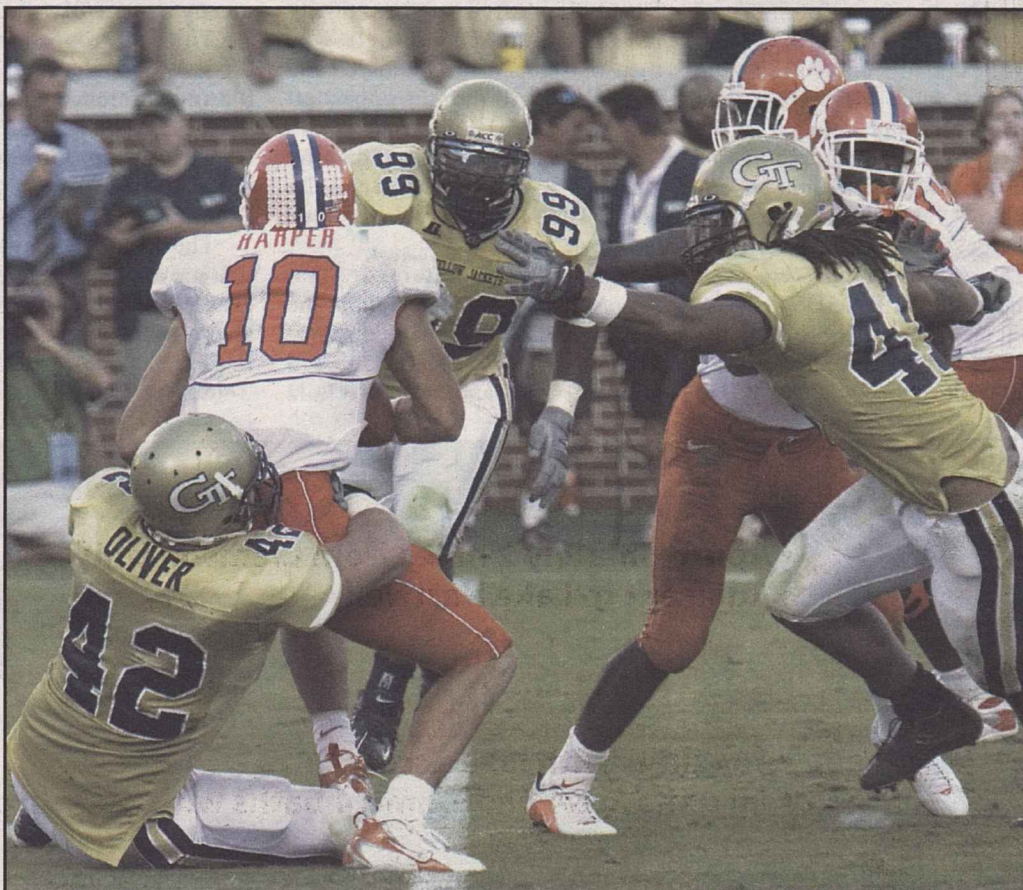
Clemson started the game out on a positive note, recovering a Tashard Choice fumble and scoring their only points of the game on a 48-yard Mark Buchholz field goal. But Buchholz began to struggle after the Tigers' opening drive, missing four field goals over the course of the game.

Clemson also had a punt blocked in the second quarter that would set up the Yellow Jackets' only touchdown, a two-yard score from Choice. He finished the game with 145 yards on 32 carries, with one score.

The Tigers' troubles on special teams did not get any better, when a fumbled kickoff return led to a field goal in the fourth quarter which eventually sank Clemson's early undefeated season.

Quarterback Cullen Harper continued to play well completing 17-39 passes for 194 yards and just one interception.

Harper looked to have completed yet another touchdown pass late in the first half, but the score was called back due to a questionable personal foul call on the ever dependable Chris McDuffie for illegal hands to the face of a Georgia Tech defensive lineman.



BRIAN SCHNEIDER/Staff

NOWHERE TO GO: Cullen Harper is brought down by Georgia Tech defensive end Adam Oliver. Harper was under pressure all game long in Clemson's 13-3 loss.

Aaron Kelly led all receivers with six catches for 53 yards. Jacoby Ford caught three passes for 58 yards. Tyler Grisham added three catches for 38 yards.

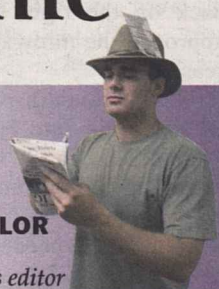
The Yellow Jackets managed to successfully shut down the Tigers' running game, holding Atlanta native James Davis to just 60 yards on 12 carries. Sophomore CJ Spiller

finished the contest with just two yards on nine carries.

Defensively, Clemson was led by senior linebacker Nick Watkins with 11 tackles, one for a loss of a yard. Chris Clemons was next with nine tackles.

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The broken game



DANIEL TAYLOR

assistant sports editor

Despite watching my favorite team last weekend in one of the South's most entertaining cities, I endured brutal agony. In my years of following Clemson football, I have witnessed more crushing losses (see Georgia 2003, Duke 2004, etc.), but the 13-3 loss to the Yellow Jackets was the hardest game I've ever had to sit through.

Partly because Clemson was losing for more than three quarters and the Tigers couldn't score for 58 minutes, it was a tough game to watch. But above all else, it was just a terrible football game. Clemson receivers dropped more balls than my niece's softball team, the Six Mile Buttercups. The offensive line gave up a season-high six sacks. Without James Davis's 60-yard rushing day, the Tigers would have had -26 yards on the ground. Clemson kryptonite, field goals, made its first appearance of the new season with four misses on Saturday.

But Tech did nothing to impress me either. Quarterback Taylor Bennett finished the day completing 7-15 passing with a whopping 67 yards. Tech was 5-15 on third down conversions. Tashard Choice did run for 145 yards, but over 40 came on the final drive when the Clemson defense was already exhausted, and the outcome was pretty much decided.

Neither team amassed 260 total yards nor completed 50 percent of their passes. Both teams lost a fumble and threw an interception. Combined, the two teams were penalized 15 times for 104 yards.

Only former punters would find last Saturday's game mildly interesting, as Jimmy Maners and Durant Brooks punted 12 times for 589 yards.

Georgia Tech simply played "less awful" than Clemson. If I was watching the game on television, I would have turned it off.

In the stadium, listening to the Clemson section moan and complain was equally aggravating. "Welcome back, Will Proctor" was a hardly encouraging comment I heard numerous times, as Cullen Harper was forced to dodge defenders all afternoon. Any Clemson play that didn't gain at least five yards was met with shouts of expletives for Rob Spence, who apparently should be able to score a touchdown every series.

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Lady Tigers prevail over Terps, tie Eagles

Women's Soccer defeats Maryland 1-0 in double OT, plays BC to a scoreless finish

MIKE MYLAN
STAFF WRITER

The No. 14 Clemson women's soccer team played two tough games this week against the Maryland Terrapins and the Boston College Eagles, with both matchups going into double overtime. At the Maryland game last Thursday night, Clemson played host to 361 fans at Historic Riggs field. The home team came into the game boasting a 7-1 record while coming off an 8-0 win over Wofford.

The game was scoreless through regulation. Both teams had several scoring opportunities throughout the game but were unable to put the ball in the net. Clemson took nine shots while Maryland shot the ball ten times. Both goalies made a tremendous effort throughout the entire game. Clemson's Ashley Phillips came up with five saves while Maryland's Yewande Balogun had two. Phillips is having an amazing year, letting only one goal in during through 730 minutes of play.

The crowd could tell how tired



BRIAN SCHNEIDER/Staff

OUT OF MY WAY: Clemson's Courtney Foster battles to gain control of the ball in the Lady Tigers' 1-0 win over Maryland.

both teams were as they went into double overtime. However, in the 106th minute the Lady Tigers were able to capitalize on a player foul. Clemson's Elizabeth Jobe booted the ball high over the goal and allowed Molly Johnson to head the ball into

the corner of the net for an exciting finish. The team was ecstatic with the 1-0 victory in double overtime after such a hard fought game. The goal was Johnson's second of the season, and it was Jobe's first assist of the year.

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MEN'S SOCCER
Friday 10/5
Maryland
8 p.m.
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WOMEN'S SOCCER
Friday 10/5
North Carolina
7 p.m.
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Friday-Sunday 10/5-7
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Pacific Palisades, Calif.

SWIMMING & DIVING
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Virginia Tech
11 a.m.
Clemson, S.C.

Sunday 10/7
Florida State
1 p.m.
Tallahassee, Fla.

Tuesday 10/9
UNC Asheville
4 p.m.
Asheville, N.C.

Thursday 10/11
Virginia Tech
7 p.m.
Blacksburg, Va.

Tigers fall to Duke, recover against Ga. Southern

Men's Soccer falls to 0-3 in conference play after 4-2 loss to Blue Devils.

BRANDON BOATWRIGHT
STAFF WRITER

The Clemson men's soccer team (3-4-1) entered Friday night's game against Duke desperately needing a win to get back on the right track as they approach the midway point in the season.

The seventh-ranked Blue Devils came into Historic Riggs Field boasting a (6-2) record, including four defensive shutouts on the year.

The Tigers needed to come out aggressive against a very good

Duke team, and they did just that. But perhaps they became too aggressive as penalties piled up quickly and hurt the Tigers in several instances. Clemson committed 26 fouls compared to just nine by Duke. Freshman forward Sam Petrone was red-carded in the first half, which left the Tigers short a man for most of the game.

Duke also controlled the ball much more effectively than Clemson. It appeared as if the Tigers were trying to rush passes and use team speed to their advantage. However, Duke was up to the challenge, and the Tigers forced several passes which were well defended by the Blue Devils.

Clemson was unable to make much of an offensive push all night. This subsequently led to

Duke's ability to outshoot the Tigers 22-8.

The Blue Devils jumped out to an early lead when senior midfielder, Joe Germanese, scored in the tenth minute on a Duke throw-in.

The Tigers answered in the twenty-third minute as Mark Buccholz lofted a beautifully placed ball to David Bell who then out-leaped the defender and headed the ball into the upper-left corner of the net.

Duke answered once again by way of a pair of Mike Grella goals. The Tigers were down three to one at the half.

Clemson maintained that aggressive attitude throughout the second half, which enabled senior forward Tate Parrish to score a goal off yet another Buccholz

assist.

But the Tiger offense faltered the rest of the second half due to costly penalties and missed opportunities.

Duke's Paul Dudley provided an insurance goal at the 75:22 mark which enabled the Blue Devils to leave Clemson victorious by a score of 4-2.

The loss dropped the Tigers to 3-5-1 overall for the season and 0-3 in conference play.

Despite the loss, the young Clemson team showed its resilience on Tuesday night against Georgia Southern (4-6-0).

The Tigers displayed excellent ball movement and teamwork that enabled them to score an impressive total of six goals against the Eagles.

Senior Tate Parrish had an

outstanding game, recording a hat-trick and one assist. Nathan Thornton, Eric Cava and Michael Brooks also scored goals for the Tigers.

A positive sign shown in this game is that the Tigers still played aggressively but were able to keep fouls under control.

The offense also took advantage of opportunities, and the defense was on lock-down for most of the night.

This offensive explosion was just what the doctor ordered for the Tigers, who improved to 4-5-1 on the season.

A 6-1 victory over Georgia Southern will give the team a confidence boost as they prepare for a crucial two-game road stretch against Maryland on Friday night and UNC-Asheville on Tuesday.



BRIAN SCHNEIDER / staff

GUT CHECK: Clemson sophomore Nathan Thornton delivers a blow to the stomach of a Duke player as he goes for the ball.



BRIAN SCHNEIDER / staff

FRUSTRATION: Clemson head soccer coach Trevor Adair reveals his disappointment during the Tigers' 4-2 loss to Duke, which dropped to their record to 0-3 in conference play.



The College of Agriculture, Forestry and Life Sciences at Clemson University invites you to attend a tree planting ceremony in memory of the Virginia Tech tragedy. This Overcup Oak Tree will be a living memorial to the faculty and students who lost their lives on April 16, 2007. We hope you will join us for this event on Friday, October 5, 2007 at 5:00 pm on the lawn near Tillman Hall on the campus of Clemson University. Light refreshments will be served.

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Fantasy Football: Don't pick up Harrington just yet

Sammy Morris a better choice at running back than Michael Pittman or Earnest Graham.

TERA ROBERTS
STAFF WRITER

Runningbacks:

As a fantasy owner of LaDainian Tomlinson, I would personally like to welcome LT back to the NFL with Sunday's performance of 132 yards on 20 carries and one touchdown. Hopefully, no one made the mistake of putting him on the bench. Expect this performance to continue, if not improve—assuming Norv Turner wakes up and realizes he has the reigning MVP on his team next week against Denver. The Broncos are ranked 31st in rushing defense, giving up an average of 181 yards per game and 5.0 yards per carry, which is second highest in the league.

Now for those of you who are looking for a replacement for Cadillac Williams, who is out for the season, going after his backups Michael Pittman or Earnest Graham will not be the best decision, because the Bucs also suffered the loss of Luke Pettigout, which puts a major dent in their offensive line. Pettigout, a ninth-year pro, was signed during the off-season to help the Bucs' young offensive line. Give it a week or two before deciding to pick up Graham or Pittman and see what the Bucs' coaching staff decides to do with the situation (running back by committee, free agent signing another back, or one as the number premier back), unless you have a strong lead RB and can take the risk.

Instead, Cadillac owners should pick up New England's Sammy Morris, if he is still available. Morris had a strong game with 117 yards on 21 carries and a touchdown against Cincinnati on Monday night and, with the exception of week one, has had a touchdown every game. With Laurence Maroney's (groin) status still unclear, 100-yard games are not a definite in the future, but with New England's offense and Morris' strong performance, touchdowns are a given for him.

As for the league's failures, it is four weeks into the season and not one touchdown to show for. If you have not already done so, bench Thomas Jones. Against the league's worst defense, Buffalo, Jones had 35 yards on 12 carries. If this type of play continues, look out for Jones's backup Leon Washington. Washington looked good last week, and his work load will continue to increase.

Quarterbacks:

I am still not convinced on Joey Harrington as a solid pickup. Harrington threw two interceptions in week one against the Vikings' horrendous passing defense (ranked 29th), and his four touchdowns came in pairs against Carolina and Houston, two teams with mediocre passing defense (20th and 21st, respectively). Scoring is important, and Harrington's four touchdowns pale in comparison to that of Tom Brady (13), Tony Romo (11) and even Brett Favre and Peyton Manning (8 each). Harrington's statistics are good enough to get by, but will he continue his success? As much as we might like to think he is finally going to get it done, chances are that he will be the same old Joey Harrington—a bust.

Another player I would strongly advise against picking up is Trent Dilfer. Alex Smith is out with a separated shoulder, and Dilfer is the man in San Francisco, just not

the man you want on your fantasy team.

If he is still available in your league, pick up Derek Anderson. He proved his worth against the Ravens. And with Braylon Edwards as a target, expect more success. He is a solid pick up to replace Matt Leinart who will continue his platoon with Kurt Warner.

While some fantasy owners are rushing out to get their hands on Daunte Culpepper, they might want to think for a second about whether or not to declare him a viable starter. Last weekend against Miami he threw for two touchdowns and ran for three, but Miami's defense, particularly rushing, is painfully lacking so the rushing touchdowns come as no surprise. And Culpepper only threw for 75 yards, completing only five of his 12 passing attempts. He might need more games under his belt before he gets back into the Daunte Culpepper rhythm that dominated fantasy leagues while in Minnesota. If you have a decent starter and are looking for a backup, pick him up and let him sit on the bench until he shows that the old Daunte is still in him.

The most important benching this week is Philip Rivers. Though his career numbers against Denver are decent, the Broncos' number

one ranked passing defense will likely change that. Against a talented Kansas City passing defense, Rivers struggled with a QB rating of 44.8. Can you say Charlie Whitehurst? Hey, we can dream!

Wide Receivers:

Brett Favre! With the Packers' running game at a stand still, their passing game is the bulk of their offense. But that is no problem for the Packers with Favre playing like he did 10 years ago. With that said, James Jones, the Packers' third option, looks to be a good pickup as a third receiver. Next week the Packers face the Chicago Bears whose defensive is ranked 15th overall and 19th in passing defense. Though the Bears will probably get back a few of those injured players on defense, it might not be enough to stop the potent Packers offense which is ranked second in passing. With no running back solution in the Packers' near future, look for the passing to continue and the progression of Jones to continue as well.

Patrick Crayton of Dallas is another to watch for. With much of the defensive focus on superstar Terrell Owens, Crayton will have more games like Sunday when he had seven catches for 184 yards

and two touchdowns.

Start any Packers wide receiver this week. With Chicago's passing defense ranked 19th and the Packers passing offense ranked second, the match up clearly favors Green Bay and anyone who is a target for Favre.

Tight Ends:

Todd Heap is doubtful this week with a hamstring injury. Heap is definitely not worth dropping, but you do need someone to fill his void.

Sticking with the Green Bay passing theme, picking up tight end Donald Lee would be a good replacement for Heap. Lee has caught four passes each game, which means the Packers are playing him at a consistent rate. Favre has been spreading the ball, so Lee will continue to have solid production.

Someone to watch out for is Desmond Clark. Clark has the talent to produce. And last week, with Brian Griese delivering the ball, Clark caught a season high seven catches for 44 yards and his first touchdown of the year. Expect Griese to shake off some of that rust and improve which will help Clark's numbers as well.

The man to drop is injured Vernon Davis (knee). Davis will not

play this week, and San Francisco has a bye next week. More importantly, when Davis finally comes back, there is no guarantee he will have Smith as his QB.

Team Defense:

Many fantasy owners are rushing out to get Detroit's defense. I cannot understand why this is happening. Sure Detroit got the turnovers against Chicago last week, but who doesn't? They managed to give up 27 points to the Bears, following the 56 they gave up to Philadelphia, an offense that looked painfully befuddled against the Giants.

My pickup is the Giants' defense. After all the drama, the Giants look like they have finally pulled it together, on defense that is. Sacking a quarterback 12 times is just cruel, and that is exactly what the Giants did to Donovan McNabb. Over the next four weeks, the Giants play the Jets, the Falcons, the 49-ers and the Dolphins, none of which are known for their offensive prowess and are in the bottom half of most offensive categories.

They do not face a talented offense until they meet Dallas again in week 10, so it should be smooth sailing for a while with the Giants.

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COMING UP SHORT: Aaron Kelly is brought down at the six yard-line after making a catch for a first down. The Tigers were unable to capitalize thanks to a costly penalty and missed field goal.



RUNNING FOR HIS LIFE: Cullen Harper unsuccessfully tries to escape a blitz brought by Phillip Wheeler and Darryl Richard of Georgia Tech. Harper was sacked six times in the game.

DEFEAT: Tiger offense stalls against Tech *from page C1*

Defensive end Phillip Merling continued to make his case for All-American status, tallying eight tackles. Merling also had three tackles for a loss of eight yards and a fumble recovery.

Safety Michael Hamlin added an interception for the Tigers, his third of the year, which ties him for first in the conference.

Tomorrow night, Clemson will look to remain in the hunt for the elusive ACC Championship when Virginia Tech comes to town. Kickoff is slated for 6 p.m., and the game will be televised nationally by ESPN. Saturday is Military Appreciation Day at Death Valley.



CAN'T HOLD ON: Jacoby Ford and the Clemson receivers had an uncharacteristically lousy game, dropping numerous passes.

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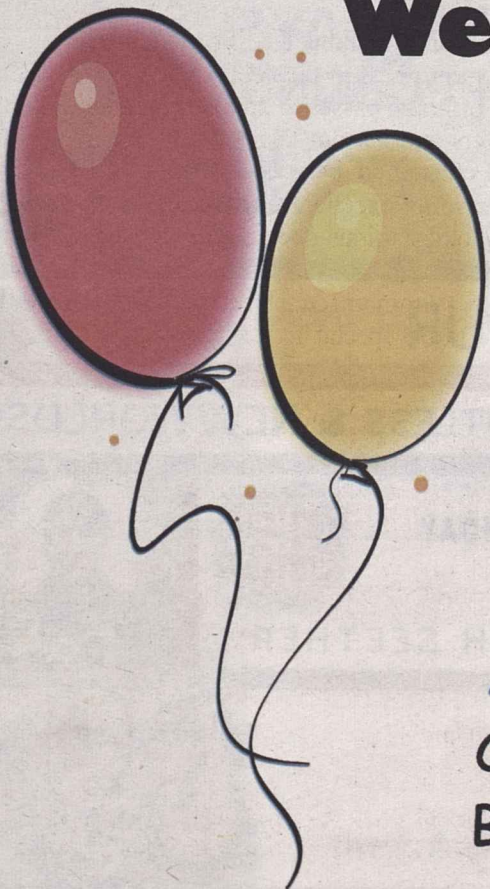
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Key to Victory:
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Over the course of Frank Beamer's career, experts have praised his team's ability to block and return kicks. Clemson in recent years has been weak in the kicking game. After missing four field goals and having a punt block last week, special teams should be a primary concern for the Tigers.

AP TOP 25

- 1. LSU
- 2. USC
- 3. California
- 4. Ohio State
- 5. Wisconsin
- 6. South Florida
- 7. Boston College
- 8. Kentucky
- 9. Florida
- 10. Oklahoma
- 11. South Carolina
- 12. Georgia
- 13. West Virginia
- 14. Oregon
- 15. Virginia Tech
- 16. Hawaii
- 17. Missouri
- 18. Arizona State
- 19. Texas
- 20. Cincinnati
- 21. Rutgers
- 22. **Clemson**
- 23. Purdue
- 24. Kansas State
- 25. Nebraska



Standings

| ATLANTIC | Conf. | Overall |
|----------------|-------|---------|
| Boston College | 3-0 | 5-0 |
| Clemson | 2-1 | 4-1 |
| Wake Forest | 1-1 | 2-2 |
| Florida State | 0-1 | 3-1 |
| Maryland | 0-1 | 3-2 |
| N.C. State | 0-2 | 1-4 |

| COASTAL | Conf. | Overall |
|----------------|-------|---------|
| Virginia | 3-0 | 4-1 |
| Miami | 1-0 | 4-1 |
| Virginia Tech | 1-0 | 4-1 |
| Georgia Tech | 1-2 | 3-2 |
| Duke | 0-2 | 1-4 |
| North Carolina | 0-2 | 1-4 |

The No. 22 Clemson Tigers (4-1, 2-1 ACC) will look to bounce back from their first loss of the season tomorrow when they host No. 15 Virginia Tech (4-1, 1-0) at 6:00 p.m. The Tigers are coming off of a disappointing 13-3 loss to Georgia Tech and can ill afford a second straight defeat if they wish to remain in the ACC Atlantic Division race.

As for the Hokies, they are still out to prove themselves after getting humiliated by LSU a few weeks ago.

Clemson fans remember all too well the Hokie defense that shut down James Davis and C.J. Spiller in last year's 24-7 victory, which sent the Tigers' season into a downward spiral.

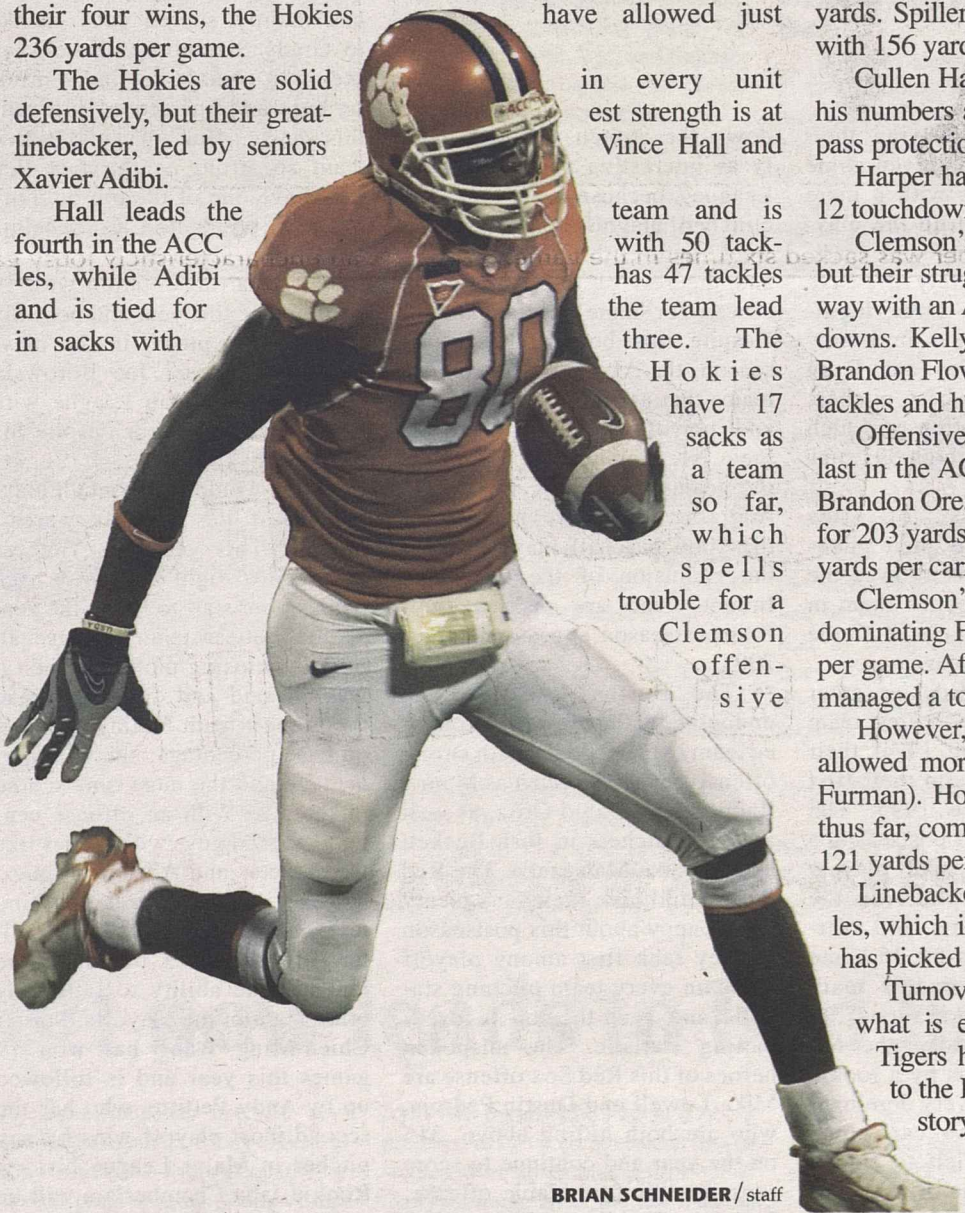
Eight starters from that Virginia Tech defense are back, and aside from the LSU debacle, they have been dominant so far. In their four wins, the Hokies have allowed just 236 yards per game.

The Hokies are solid defensively, but their great-linebacker, led by seniors Xavier Adibi.

Hall leads the fourth in the ACC les, while Adibi and is tied for in sacks with

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team and is with 50 tack- has 47 tackles the team lead three. The Hokies have 17 sacks as a team so far, which spells trouble for a Clemson offensive



BRIAN SCHNEIDER / staff

line that has allowed 16 sacks, including six last week against Georgia Tech.

James Davis leads the Tigers with 424 rushing yards and has topped the century mark twice so far, but a minor shoulder injury could have an effect against the same Hokie front-seven that held him to just 30 yards on 12 carries last season.

Davis saw surprisingly limited action against Georgia Tech, but he ran the ball well when given the opportunity, gaining 60 yards on just 12 carries.

Fellow back C.J. Spiller has been going through somewhat of a sophomore slump. Spiller ran for 114 yards against N.C. State, but in his other four games, he has averaged just 2.5 yards per carry. Against Georgia Tech, he ran the ball nine times for a measly two yards. Spiller has helped out in the receiving department, though, with 156 yards and two touchdowns.

Cullen Harper had been phenomenal up until last weekend, but his numbers against Georgia Tech suffered largely because of poor pass protection and a slew of dropped passes.

Harper has completed 62.6 percent of his passes for 1158 yards, 12 touchdowns and just one interception.

Clemson's receivers had a case of the dropsies last weekend, but their struggles are not likely to continue. Aaron Kelly leads the way with an ACC-best 28 receptions for 342 yards and three touchdowns. Kelly will go up against preseason All-ACC cornerback Brandon Flowers of Virginia Tech, who is third on the team with 34 tackles and has returned an interception for a touchdown.

Offensively, the Hokies have struggled immensely and are dead last in the ACC averaging just 286 yards per game. Running back Brandon Ore, a 2006 first-team All-ACC selection, ripped the Tigers for 203 yards last season, but so far this year he is averaging just 3.5 yards per carry and has failed to top 100 yards in game.

Clemson's defensive line has been a bit disappointing since dominating Florida State in the opener, allowing 154 rushing yards per game. After registering five sacks against FSU, the Tigers have managed a total of just three sacks in their previous four games.

However, Clemson leads the ACC in pass defense and has allowed more than 150 yards through the air just once (against Furman). Hokie freshman quarterback Tyrod Taylor has struggled thus far, completing just 50 percent of his passes for an average of 121 yards per game.

Linebacker Nick Watkins leads the Tiger defense with 51 tackles, which is third best in the ACC, while safety Michael Hamlin has picked off three passes to go along with his 24 tackles.

Turnovers and special teams could have a major impact on what is expected to be a low-scoring, defensive battle. The Tigers have an excellent plus-six turnover margin, compared to the Hokies' minus-one margin, but special teams is another story.

Virginia Tech has long been known for its fantastic special teams play and kick-blocking ability. Special teams likely cost Clemson the game last weekend with four missed field goals and a blocked punt that set up Georgia Tech's only touchdown.

Clemson leads the all-time series against Virginia Tech 17-11-1, but recent history has not favored the Tigers.

The Hokies have won four straight meetings between the two, including last year's 24-7 upset victory.

The last time Virginia Tech visited Death Valley was in 1998 when they embarrassed the Tigers 37-0. In fact, Clemson has not defeated Virginia Tech since 1989 when Danny Ford was still Clemson's coach.

WEEK SIX STAFF PICKS

| GAMES | ALAN SMITH | DANIEL TAYLOR | JOSH FORT |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|
| Record | 34-16 | 30-20 | 34-16 |
| Virginia Tech at Clemson | Clemson | Virginia Tech | Clemson |
| Kentucky at South Carolina (Thurs.) | South Carolina | South Carolina | Kentucky |
| Georgia Tech at Maryland | Maryland | Maryland | Georgia Tech |
| Miami at North Carolina | Miami | Miami | Miami |
| N.C. State at Florida State | Florida State | Florida State | Florida State |
| Florida at LSU | LSU | LSU | Florida |
| Georgia at Tennessee | Tennessee | Georgia | Georgia |
| Oklahoma vs. Texas | Oklahoma | Texas | Oklahoma |
| Nebraska at Missouri | Missouri | Nebraska | Nebraska |
| Ohio State at Purdue | Ohio State | Purdue | Ohio State |

Rockies, Phillies among surprises heading into 2007 MLB postseason

Colorado and New York seize the prized wildcard spots for baseball's playoff.

RYAN LAUNIUS
STAFF WRITER

National League

After the exciting one game playoff for the Wild Card slot between the Rockies and the Padres, the National League has shown off its parity by sending a squad of four teams into October that did not make the playoffs last season. The Cubs, Diamondbacks, Phillies and Rockies head into the postseason after years of October baseball droughts in each respective city with the hopes of a World Series victory.

The Chicago Cubs are making their first playoff appearance since 2003, and they bring to the table a strong three-man rotation and a lineup of streaky power hitters.

The Cubs have the best overall pitching staff of the four teams vying for an NLCS title, boasting a team ERA of 4.04. Carlos Zambrano leads the rotation with an 18-13 record and 177 strikeouts on the year. Ted Lilly and Rich Hill complete the three-man rotation and, along with Zambrano, have the potential to be dominant.

The faces of this team's offense are Aramis Ramirez, Alfonso Soriano and Derrek Lee. Soriano broke the record for lead-off homeruns in a single month in September, belting seven out of the park in his first at-bats. He also hit a team record 14 homeruns in September. The main weakness of this Cubs team is their streaky offense that occasionally lacks power. Also, their closer Ryan Dempster is known for blowing big leads.

The Arizona Diamondbacks are an inexperienced group of young players making their franchise's first playoff appearance since losing the NLDS in 2002. With so many young players such as Chris Young and Stephen Drew, the Diamondbacks rank last in the National League in batting average and on-base percentage.

In fact, Arizona is only the fourth team in major league history to make the playoffs while allowing more runs scored against them than for them.

Despite their offensive woes, the Diamondbacks made it to the playoffs thanks to their bullpen and top starter Brandon Webb. The Arizona bullpen is stacked with shutdown setup men Brandon Lyon and Doug Slaten and then topped off with closer Jose Valverde, who leads the NL in saves.

The Philadelphia Phillies are one of the more improbable division champions in recent base-

“The Colorado Rockies enter the postseason as the hottest team in baseball, winning 14 of their last 15 games to claim their first playoff berth since 1995.”

-Ryan Launius, staff writer

ball history after clawing their way back from a seven-game deficit to the Mets with a mere 17 games left to make the playoffs for the first time in 14 years. The Phillies play purely offensive baseball and have three legitimate MVP candidates in Jimmy Rollins, Chase Utley and Ryan Howard. Even the best pitchers fear the Phillies offense, which has scored a league-high 892 runs this season.

The weakness of this Philadelphia team is their pitching depth, which has allowed the fourth-most runs against them in the NL and the most out of all the playoff teams this year.

The Colorado Rockies enter the postseason as the hottest team in baseball, winning 14 of their last 15 games to claim their first playoff berth since 1995. The Rockies have one of postseason's most prolific offensive players in Matt Holliday, who won the NL batting title with a .340 average and managed to hit 36 home runs. One of Colorado's main weapons is rookie sensation Troy Tulowitzki, who broke the NL record for home runs by a rookie shortstop. This is a very dominant offensive team who can come back from any deficit to find a way to win the game. But, unlike their hitting, the Rockies' pitching can be very suspect at times as none of their starting pitchers have an ERA below 4.00.

American League

The American League race

down the stretch was not nearly as interesting as the National League's because every team had clinched playoff berths about a week before the season ended, and the rest of the games were strictly for home field advantage. Despite this boring end to the season, the AL brings a group of teams that are more well-rounded and playoff-tested than any of their NL counterparts. Three of the teams vying for the ALCS title this year were present for the 2006 baseball playoffs, with the exclusion of the Cleveland Indians who are making their first postseason appearance since 2001.

The Boston Red Sox are undoubtedly the most well-rounded team in the playoffs with strong offensive weapons such as Manny Ramirez and David Ortiz, as well as great pitchers in Josh Beckett and Daisuke Matsuzaka. The Red Sox should give their fans plenty to be happy about this postseason as they rank first among playoff teams in every team pitching statistic and near the top in every batting statistic. The unspoken heroes of this Red Sox offense are Mike Lowell and Dustin Pedroia, who are both hitting above .315 on the year and continue to score runs for this formidable offense. Jonathan Papelbon has recorded 35 saves and a 1.85 ERA this year as the closer, and sometimes it just seems like the only weakness this team has are the New York Yankees.

The unlucky team that gets

to face the Red Sox in the first round is the Los Angeles Angels of Anaheim. The Angels have fared well this year thanks to a solid offense and a pretty good starting rotation with a strong ace. John Lackey has been the best pitcher for the Angels over the season, winning 19 games and making a strong case for the AL Cy Young award. The best offensive players of the Angels are Orlando Cabrera and Vladimir Guerrero, who have combined for 190 runs scored and 211 RBIs between them. While the Angels have a strong three-man rotation of starters, their weakness lies in the remaining two choices of Ervin Santana and Bartolo Colon for the fourth slot in the playoffs. Neither have been strong starting options all season.

The Cleveland Indians have depended on pure consistency to reach the playoffs this year, which should help them out in the postseason if they continue playing the way they have. Despite having only one player hit over .300 this year (Victor Martinez with a .301 average), the Indians have steadily produced runs since almost every other batter hit between .275 and .290. Cleveland has mainly scored runs thanks to Grady Sizemore, who always seems to manage to find himself on base and has scored 118 runs this season. But what makes this team so strong is the fact that they have one of the top pitching staffs in baseball. C.C. Sabathia and Fausto Carmona lead off the Indians' starting rotation with 19 wins apiece this year and possibly the best 1-2 punch in the playoffs. Also, closer Joe Borowski leads the American League with 45 saves on the year despite his 5.07 ERA.

What would the baseball playoffs be if the Yankees weren't around? This year, the Yankees managed to fight their way back from a poor start to finish the year as the hottest team in baseball over the closing months. When it was all said and done, they had the highest team batting average, on base percentage, slugging percentage and the most runs scored in the AL. With an offense centered around guys with names like Derek Jeter and Alex Rodriguez, no one should expect anything less. But beneath this team's stellar offense lies a pitching core that has the ability to rattle any other team in the playoffs. Starter Chien-Ming Wang has won 19 games this year and is followed up by Andy Pettitte, who has the second most playoff wins by any pitcher in Major League history. Rookie Jaba Chamberlain will be an essential player over this next month as he has only allowed one run in his 24 innings pitched this year. With all of the experience and talent this team has, it would not be surprising to see a deep postseason run.

UGLY: Fans upset after loss

from page C1

Although I refrained from such negativity during the game, I understand the fans' frustrations. It's somewhat insulting to pay for a hotel and 45 dollars for a ticket and see game like that on Saturday.

Furthermore, Clemson fans had to watch this horrid excuse for football at a venue far below the Death Valley that they are accustomed to. Personally, I think Georgia Tech's stadium has a unique atmosphere nestled between the Atlanta skyscrapers. Generally, I enjoy the relaxing change of pace. But it is clear which school's fans care more.

The noise level at Bobby Dodd never gets in the same league as 80,000 in Death Valley on a hang-over. Despite the attractive conference matchup with eager Clemson fans snatching up seats, Tech only sold 54,000 tickets. Such a showing in Tiger Town would be an embarrassment against any opponent. This lack-luster atmosphere is in spite of the four national championships that Georgia Tech has won. It is unfathomable for a Clemson fan that a school with a rich tradition like Tech cannot pull more than 55,000 to an important home game.

Because of this lack of spirit by Tech's fan base, it is more insulting that the Yellow Jackets won. They beat us, and most of the students could care less.

The reaction of the Clemson nation this week has been despair. After rolling through some weak opponents in Louisiana-Monroe, Furman and NC State, many felt that Clemson was in a two-horse race with Boston College for the Atlantic Division championship. Now with a conference loss to Georgia Tech, those once hopeful fans have their hearts crushed.

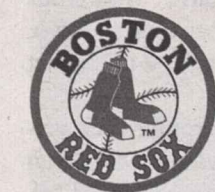
However, the future of the season is not as meek as some Clemson fans have believed this week. The Atlantic division is still wide-open for almost any team to win. NC State with two conference losses is the only team that appears out of the race. Meanwhile, Clemson, Wake Forest, Florida State and Maryland are all tied with one loss. The Tigers already hold a tie-breaker versus FSU, as they defeated the Seminoles in the season opener. Moreover, no team in the division has beaten Clemson, so currently no team holds a tie-breaker advantage on the Tigers.

Boston College is the only team without a loss, but their remaining schedule is a monster. Over a five-week stretch without a bye week, the Eagles must face Virginia Tech, Florida State, Maryland, Clemson and Miami. Only the Seminoles and the Hurricanes travel to Boston College. Even a winning record over that stretch would be remarkable.

For Clemson, the schedule is much easier. If they are able to defeat Virginia Tech, the Tigers should be favored in every game until their conference finale against Boston College.

But first, Clemson must defeat Virginia Tech. The Tigers have done well against ranked opponents at home in recent history, so I am expecting the offense to bounce back. If they can get back on track with a win, Clemson could still be facing against Boston College at the end of the year to see who gets a berth in the ACC championship game.

Playoff matchups:



Boston Red Sox (96-66)

L.A. Angels (94-68)



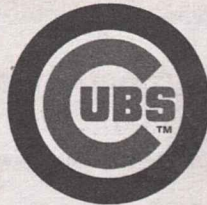
Cleveland Indians (96-66)

New York Yankees (94-68)



Arizona Diamondbacks (90-72)

Chicago Cubs (85-77)



Philadelphia Phillies (89-73)

Colorado Rockies (90-73)



Club football wins in Atlanta

Clemson rebounds against Georgia State after dropping season opener.

DANIEL TAYLOR
ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

Last Sunday, Clemson's club football team bounced back from a double overtime loss to North Carolina with a 61-18 thwarting of Georgia State in Atlanta. The Tigers improved their record to 1-1, while the Panthers fell to 1-1.

Georgia State, a club team that is hoping to become a Division III program by 2009, found itself in a hole early as Clemson leaped out to 21-0 lead in the first quarter.

Quarterback Scott Anderson lead the Tigers offensively, throwing five touchdowns and no interceptions. Anderson found four different receivers for scores, two going to receiver Sam Murray, and one to Ryan Henry, Darius Morgan and running back Tom McCarthy. "I had all day to throw," the second-year quarterback claimed. "It was like playing in the backyard." The offensive line gave up no sacks on the day.

On the other side of the football, Clemson gave the oversized Georgia State offense line fits.

Tiger defenders were constantly in the backfield and disrupted the Panthers' timing. Linebacker Brock Henderson led the charge, making tackles sideline to sideline. Georgia State was held to six points until the final 13 minutes of the game.

By halftime, Clemson had increased their lead to 35-6. In the second half, the Tigers' special teams began to contribute as Henry got his second touchdown on a punt return, and Mansa Joseph returned a kickoff for score.

Running back Brandon Burroughs rushed for two touchdowns against the Panthers.

He and Henry lead the Tigers in scoring with three touchdowns each.

"It's a big win," Clemson's head coach and former NFL linebacker Patrick Sapp remarked. "It shows that we are heading in the right direction. Going back to last year, we have gotten better week by week....Having players return and take leadership roles has made a huge difference. And the new guys we have this year shows a growing interest in the program."

After back-to-back road trips, Clemson's club team will have two weeks off before yet another away game in Danville, Va. They will scrimmage against Averett University, a Division III school.

Hokies sneak past Tar Heels

Virginia Tech relies on strong defensive performance in 17-10 victory over UNC.

BRIAN WRIGHT
THE COLLEGIATE TIMES (VT)

CSTVU-WIRE)BLACKSBURG, Va. - Virginia Tech came into its Atlantic Coast Conference opener as a heavy favorite to upstage a University of North Carolina team that had lost its last three games.

However, Tech had more than it could handle from the underdog Tar Heels. Nevertheless, the Hokies improved to 4-1 with a 17-10 victory Saturday afternoon.

"That's the way it is in the ACC," head coach Frank Beamer said after the game. "I don't believe any of these are going to be easy. I think that in every one of them we're going to have to work for four quarters. That's going to be the kind of team we've got."

On Tech's first offensive play from scrimmage, a double reverse to wide receiver Eddie Royal resulted in a 53-yard gain.

A few plays later, quarterback Tyrod Taylor stepped out of the pocket and avoided two Tar Heel defenders as he scampered into the end zone from 5 yards out.

"It was important for us to come out in that first drive and have success," offensive coordinator Brian Stinespring said.

Success was hard to come by fol-

lowing that seven-play, 70-yard touchdown drive. The Hokie offense only managed 171 total yards on offense for the remainder of the game. Taylor completed 10 of 19 passes for 66 yards with one interception and was sacked four times.

Tailback Branden Ore accounted for a season-high 93 rushing yards on 19 carries. Royal led the team in catches with four, while fellow wide out Justin Harper had 38 yards receiving.

Tech is now ranked 112th in the nation in total offense, with an average of 285.6 yards per game. Taylor still feels that improvements are being made.

"The offense is progressing," Taylor said. "We've been progressing since day one and we want to keep getting better."

After the Hokies held a 7-3 advantage at halftime, Jud Dunlevy connected on a 52-yard field goal, equaling the longest by a Tech kicker since Shayne Graham in 1999 against Pittsburgh. Dunlevy has yet to miss a field goal or an extra point this season.

With UNC inside the Tech 10-yard line and in position to score, defensive end Orion Martin knocked the ball loose from Tar Heel tailback Ryan Houston. Rover Kam Chancellor came up with the recovery in the end zone for a touchback.

Later in the third quarter, linebacker Xavier Adibi intercepted a pass from UNC quarterback T.J. Yates. Adibi's seventh career interception was returned 31 yards to the Tar Heel 12-yard line.

"It was a big turning point in the game," Adibi said. "Coaches were preaching to us to focus on each play. Don't look back to the last play. If we do that, good things will happen."

The turnover led to a 1-yard touchdown rush by Ore, giving the Hokies a 17-3 lead.

The senior tandem of Adibi and Vince Hall teamed up for 28 tackles. Tech's other starting linebacker did not go unnoticed. Cam Martin, Orion's brother, recorded ten tackles and three sacks, the biggest of which coming late in the fourth quarter.

A UNC touchdown by backup tailback Anthony Elzy closed the gap to 17-10 in the fourth quarter; the Tar Heels got the ball back with 4:10 remaining. They drove to the Tech 44-yard line before Martin sacked Yates on a critical third-and-two situation.

A fourth down pass from Yates was broken up by Parker and fell harmlessly to the turf, sealing Tech's third straight win.

Tech's positive plays were countered with their mental mistakes, including nine penalties that totaled 80 yards.

Penalties will be one area that Beamer and the coaching staff will try to address before the Hokies travel south to No. 22 Clemson this weekend.

"We're not quite there together," Beamer said. "We're getting closer all the time."

Saturday's game between the Hokies and the Tigers will be televised on ESPN and will start at 6 p.m.

Gators, Sooners among victims of wild weekend

South Florida makes first-ever top 10 appearance, while Oklahoma and Florida lose on last-second field goals to Colorado and Auburn respectively.

ALAN SMITH
SPORTS EDITOR

Clemson's 13-3 loss to Georgia Tech was a major disappointment, but the Tigers were just one of a handful of upset victims last weekend. When all was said and done, nine top 25 teams, including half of the top 10, suffered defeats in what was one of the wildest weekends of college football in recent memory.

The upset party began on Friday night when the No. 18 South Florida Bulls defeated No. 5 West Virginia 21-13 in front of a packed house at Raymond James Stadium in Tampa. The Bulls are no stranger to upsets, having defeated WVU in Morgantown last season, and Auburn on the road this season. But with this latest marquee victory, South Florida has entered the top ten for the first time in school history and is suddenly the favorite to win the Big East. By the way, the USF football program is in its 11th year of existence. The same Auburn team that lost to South Florida to open the year pulled a nice little surprise of their own last weekend. Just two weeks removed from a home loss to Mississippi State, the Tigers went into Gainesville and beat

the defending national champion Florida Gators. The previously No. 4 ranked Gators came back from a 17-3 fourth quarter deficit to tie the game, but Auburn put together one last drive and Wes Bynum kicked a 43-yard field goal as time expired to give the Tigers a 20-17 victory.

As shocking as Auburn's win over Florida was, the biggest surprise of the weekend occurred in Boulder, Colo. The mighty Oklahoma Sooners, ranked No. 3 at the time, seemed to be cruising to yet another easy victory with a 24-7 lead over Colorado midway through the third quarter. However, the determined Buffaloes fought their way back and tied the game with four minutes left thanks to two touchdown passes by coach's son Cody Hawkins. In similar fashion to Auburn, Colorado put together one last drive and won on a 45-yard field goal as time expired.

It's not very often that both Oklahoma and Texas lose in the same weekend (especially to unranked teams), but that's exactly what happened last Saturday. After four unimpressive victories to start the season, it seemed inevitable that the No. 7 Longhorns would get tagged at some point, but few could have anticipated a 41-21 loss to Kansas State in Austin. The Wildcats embarrassed the Longhorns by scoring in every possible way, including an interception return, kick return and punt return for a touchdown.

The ACC came up with a big weekend, picking off two out-of-conference top 25 teams. Maryland went on the road and beat No. 10 Rutgers behind a combined 214 rushing yards from Keon Lattimore and Lance Ball. Also, Florida

State finally showed signs of life on offense as quarterback Xavier Lee came off the bench to lead the 'Noles to a 21-14 victory over No. 22 Alabama.

One of the most exciting games of the weekend took place on the West Coast between No. 6 California and No. 11 Oregon. The game went back-and-forth the whole way, with neither team ever leading by more than a touchdown, but the Bears narrowly escaped Eugene with 31-24 road victory. The Ducks appeared to be on the verge of sending the game into overtime when quarterback Dennis Dixon completed a pass to Cameron Colvin that he took to the goal line with 22 seconds left. However, Colvin was hit by a defender as he was about to score and fumbled the ball out the back of the end zone, giving possession back to Cal.

With the nation's third and fourth-ranked teams both falling to unranked opponents (how often does that happen in the same weekend?), USC and LSU seem to be heads above the rest of college football. However, the Trojans and Tigers did not escape Upset Weekend with ease.

LSU trailed lowly Tulane 9-7 until kicking a field goal as time expired in the first half to go up by one. However, the Tigers finally woke up in the second half and cruised to a 34-9 victory. USC had their hands full with Washington as well, despite out-gaining the Huskies 460 to 190 in total yards. The Trojans committed 16 penalties, threw a pick-six and had a punt blocked, but managed to escape with a 27-24 victory after the Huskies failed to recover an onside kick with 30 seconds left.

ClemsonTV, Clemson's student-run TV station, premieres its new show lineup on Tuesday, September 25th at 8:15 PM. You can watch it on channel 99 from anywhere on campus.

The schedule is as follows:

8:15 - Welcome, brief introduction to the TV station.

8:30 - TiKs, a comedy skit show.

9:00 - GreenBlooded TV, a variety show.

10:00 - Cloves, a cooking show.

10:30 - Walking Through the Gardens, a religious show.

11:00 - The Matt Show, we have no idea what it's about and neither will you!

11:30 - Night of the Living Dead, the classic zombie movie.

As if that weren't enough, we're opening our studio at 8:00 for the premiere and you can come in and watch it with us! Eat popcorn, be on live TV, and learn about how you can get involved with CTV. We're located on the 3rd floor of the Hendrix center - take the elevator and follow the signs.

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Seeing as I found myself in Atlanta, Ga., this weekend to cover a certain football game we'd all like to forget, I also took advantage of the big city and took in a viewing of "Across the Universe," which isn't playing anywhere closer to Clemson.

Come to think of it, the Georgia Tech game and the film had many things in common: I went into both

with optimistic but realistically low expectations, and both, not surprisingly, underwhelmed me in their mediocre predictability.

The only difference was that at least "Across the Universe," with its elaborate sets, colorful costumes and expensive special effects, was enjoyable to view.

The film is a visually rich, '60s-themed musical based around the later work of the Beatles (mostly pulling from "The White Album"). It is also an incredibly literal take on the music

that is its backbone, making the film glaringly trite.

The story follows a young man from Liverpool (surprise!) named Jude (surprise!) as he comes to America and falls in love with a girl named Lucy (surprise!). Along the way, he manages to get involved with all of the political and social upheaval occurring all around him and, with his friends, sings songs about it all.

The love story between Jude (played by Jim Sturgess) and Lucy (played by Evan Rachel Wood) is the

core narrative of the film, however it is hardly inspiring and used more as a vehicle for exploring all of the essentials of any film about the '60s.

Unfortunately, this film chews off way more than it can swallow. A musical? About the '60s? Using only Beatles songs? Was the writer actually serious?

What's more, attempting to use Beatles songs exclusively to cohesively connect the entire narrative through

Independent film plays at McKissick Theater



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The second film screening and post-screening discussion in this year's Southern Circuit Tour of Independent Filmmakers will play next week in McKissick Theater.

This month's filmmaker is Cynthia Hill, a producer/director originally from Pink Hill, N.C. She lived and worked in New York City as a health education media producer before moving back to Durham, N.C., to develop her career as an independent filmmaker.

The challenges that farmers and the community face are what first caught Hill's eye as she filmed her first documentary, "Tobacco Money Feeds My Family." Having grown up in a tobacco farming community, Hill brought a grounded perspective to her film. It is her unique perspective as well as her subject's relevance that has carried her documentary "The Guestworker" around the world to screen at numerous festivals, including the Los Angeles Latino Film Festival, Full Frame International Documentary Film Festival and the Globians Film Festival.

Big hair, big laughs

In a couple of weeks the Brooks Center of Performing Arts is going to be hit by a tidal wave of hip swaying, foot tapping music as "Hairspray" shim-mies onto stage. Set in 1962, "Hairspray" is the melodic story of Tracy Turnblad, a big girl with big dreams and even bigger hair, which is so big she is sent to detention when her hair blocks her classmates' view of the board one too many times. But this is where Tracy's story begins. In detention she becomes friends with the black students who teach her a whole new way of dancing which wins her a spot on the very popular TV dance show, "The Corny Collins Show." For a girl whose passion in life is dancing, this is a dream come true! Not only does she go from outsider to teen sensation, she gets a chance to win the heart of the handsome Link Larkin, and even sets out to integrate the TV show run by white supremacists whose opinion of integration is "Negro Day." She even manages to do all of this without deflating her sky high 'do.

Based on the 1988 New Line Cinema film, "Hairspray" was written and directed by John Waters, a native of Baltimore whose other movies include "Pink Flamingos," "Cry-Baby" and "Serial Mom." The music of "Hairspray" was written by Marc Shaiman who later co-wrote music and lyrics for, get ready for this, "South Park: Bigger, Longer and Uncut." For all you guys who

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Upstate
Calendar
of Events

10.1-10.7

CMT on Tour featuring Sugarland, Little Big Town and Jake Owen at the Bi-Lo Center. \$42.50. 7 p.m. doors; 8 p.m. show.

Disney's "Beauty and the Beast" at Greenville's Peace Center. Adults \$25; Students/Children \$15.

10.5

Jupiter Coyote at The Esso Club in Clemson.

10.6

Greer Station Oktoberfest in downtown Greer, S.C. 12 noon-9 p.m.

Spartanburg International Festival in Barnet Park in downtown Spartanburg. 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

10.11

Clint Black and Laura Bryna at the Peace Center in Greenville. 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$45, \$50, \$55.

10.11-10.12

"La Sylphide" ballet at the Peace Center in Greenville. \$35. 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 11; 8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 12.

10.12

Sammy Kershaw & Jeff Bates Concert at the Anderson Sport and Entertainment Complex in Anderson. 7 p.m. show. \$24.50.

Resco at Backstreets in downtown Clemson.

10.12-10.21

Anderson County Fair in Anderson. For ticket prices, events and more information visit <http://www.anderson-countyfair.com/>.

10.14

Will Hoge at the Anderson County Fair in Anderson.

HAIRSPRAY: Brooks Center to host Waters' famous Broadway musical next week from page D1

refused to see "Hairspray" because it is another cheesy musical, you no longer have an excuse. This is the man who helped write the inspirational song "Blame Canada;" so you know "Hairspray" has to be good. Lyrics are by Marc Shaiman and Scott Whitman. Some popular songs from the show are "Welcome to the '60s," "Good Morning Baltimore" and "You Can't Stop the Beat."

"Hairspray" has earned multiple awards including Tony's for "Best Musical," "Best Direction of a Musical," "Best Original Score," "Best Book of a Musical" and "Best Costume Design." Other awards include "Best Musical" from the New York Drama Critics' Circle and "Outstanding Music" from the 2003 Drama Desk Awards.

The show coming to Clemson is being presented by NETWORKS Presentations, a theatrical company that produces and manages show tours all over the United States and abroad. Their productions have included "Oliver!," "Cinderella," "Fosse," "The King and I," "The Sound of Music" and "Cabaret." Their currently touring shows include "Rent," "My Fair Lady," "The Producers," "The Wedding Singer," "Annie" and of course "Hairspray."

"Hairspray" is going to be at the Brooks Center of Performing Arts Sunday, Oct. 7, at 3:00 p.m., with tickets going for \$35 a seat. Can't make it to the show? No worries, there are other opportunities to see the show in the near future. "Hairspray" will be rocking out Asheville on Saturday, Oct. 6 and then kickin' it in Colombia Oct. 8 and 9. Should you want more information on the whereabouts of "Hairspray" or just more information about the show itself,



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go check out <http://www.hairsprayontour.com/>.

Do not use the excuse "I've seen the movie" to miss an opportunity to see this show. Cinema and theater are two very different things. If you have seen the movie, you have experienced the pleasure of seeing John Travolta playing a woman; but you have only gotten a taste of the stage production.

"Hairspray" is a hilarious look at the '60s but still manages to capture some of the important issues of the time, even if it is done with a little pizzazz.

"Hairspray" is definitely a show worth seeing; be prepared to be entertained by the energetic music, great dancing and a story that will have you laughing until the final bows.

ON THE PROWL

by ORSON SWELLES

Anyone who grew up with an illegal cable box or a penchant for pay-per-view knows good and well what the Spice channel is. For those of you without a working knowledge of the most hardcore of the adult channels, allow me to give you a simple equation that sums up Spice. Cinemax after midnight – sappy jazz music + intercourse vision + various bodily functions – plot = Spice Network.

For the paying masses, there is a huge flaw in the Spice programming. Most specials like "Nasty Midwesterners Present: Bushels of Booty," "Computer Programming Lesbians Know How to Double-Click the Mouse" and "Mr. Woodcock" last anywhere from one to three full hours. For most men, once the job is done, there is no need to watch the last two and a half hours of the \$12.95 movie you just purchased. I feel this leads to more people just cruising the web for free porn.

Fear not, Spice! I have a solution for you that is guaranteed to multiply your profits. Instead of movie-length porn films that cost over \$10 for the viewer, how about a fall lineup of 30 minute shows for only a few dollars each? The low cost of these films combined with a run-time much closer to the rub-time of an average man would drive sales up. Since I'm such a sweetheart, I'll provide you with a few ideas that you can have the full intellectual rights for (so long as I get an executive producer nod in the credits).

Let's face it: there is always room for medical dramas (even in pornography). That's why your inaugural fall show is "Gary's Anatomy." This show is the tale of a new resident at a hospital whose father was not only a great doctor, but he also holds a record for most sexual encounters with RNs and MDs. Poor Gary is always being told by hospital staff that he never inserts his hypothetical hypodermic needle as well as his father. This season, Gary's half-brother, the gigolo plastic-surgeon who tests out his patient's surgeries for discounted rates, just got a job at Seattle's own Space Needle Memorial Ho-spital. Can you say drama?

I love intense situations as much as the next guy, but what if you like a little light-heartedness in your porn? Look no further than "The Orifice (American Version)." Many people prefer the British version, but I feel it's a little dry for my tastes. In this romping mockumentary, Jimmy and Pam "Easy" Beesly are co-workers who share a little more than an office space. Constantly dealing with an obnoxious boss and wacky sales reps like Dwight "The Tight" Shoot, Jimmy and Pam have to test the waters of their company to make sure their love is true. During this show expect wacky hijinks like the time Dwight drilled a glory-hole into Jimmy's cube and the rebuttal where Jimmy had sex with Dwight. As an added bonus, every time the boss says "That's what she said," shows a cut-scene where that is indeed what she said.

No network is complete without reality television, and this is where I'm sure the biggest draw will be for Spice. The biggest cable hits are elimination shows with one winner in the end, and those work perfectly for pornography. "America's Sexed-up Models," "Top Chafe" and "Project Ungay" are all viable options. The first show sees which porn stars take the best still shots and money shots in order to win a contract with Hustler magazine.

In "Top Chafe," contestants whip up homemade lubricants using a wide array of culinary items in order to see



who can create the smoothest ride. Last season's champion invented a warming lubricant using horseradish and heavy whipping cream. Talk about spicy meata-ballas! "Project Ungay" is for the fundamentalist porn viewers. This show takes the top fashion designers, ice skating champs and musical theater choreographers and forces them to have sex with hot women. Whichever gives up their heathen lifestyle and admits homosexuality is a choice wins! This season will feature celebrity contestant Ted Haggard and promises to be "healthy porn with morals the whole family can share."

For any fall lineup there also has to be game shows. With the advent of Viagra and the retirement of Bob Barker, old people are going to be jonesing for game shows and pornography during daytime television. First off "The Vice Is Tight" features game show contestants bidding on hookers and prostitutes. Think you know the retail price of an hour with a clean and legal prostitute in Nevada? Then come on down! Showcases feature a free yearly pass at the Bunny Ranch and exclusive use of the "Romper Room" featuring heart-shaped hot tubs.

One of the primetime game shows I've got is "Wheel of Contortion." The setup is pretty basic where contestants guess letters that spell out sexual positions to win prizes. However, if you land on a contortion spot, when you guess the sexual position, not only do you have to perform, but you have to do it with an added twist as specified by the wheel. "1 Vs. 100" is another game show that will be featured on air; however I don't feel I need to go in detail about this show, because the title delivers the premise well enough.

With such a solid lineup of inexpensive pornography, I predict that Spice will make so much money that they will branch into a number of different channels. PMTV will feature 99 cent music videos for people, who only need 3-5 minutes to finish the job (although jazz is the primary genre, there will be plenty of other types of music depending on the video). TBS (Turn-that Broad-casting Station) will just show re-runs of whatever else is on the other channels. All I ask is not to let this new-found wealth go to your heads, because as much as we'd like some channels, I think most of us agree that Spice's Animal Planet is a station that we don't really need or want to see anytime soon.

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Trojan leaves Clemson sexually unaware

Trojan Condoms announced the results of its second annual Sexual Health Report Card Sept. 10, and Clemsonites are not going to be pleased. The Report Card, which rates the sexual health of 139 American universities based on 11 different criteria, slotted Clemson as No. 82.

GREG BLANTON
STAFF WRITER

The 11 criteria include: sexual health awareness programs, condom and contraception availability, HIV testing, other sexually transmitted infection testing, student health center hours of operation, drop-in vs. appointment-based service, navigability and usability of Web-based sexual health information, anonymous advice or newspaper columns, lecture outreach programs, student peer groups, and sexual assault programs.

Clemson earned a grade of A or B in each of these categories, except for a C for its Web site and an F for its anonymous advice and newspaper columns. According to TimeOut staffer Brandon Bilinski, the F was Clemson's downfall; had Clemson not failed that criterion and earned an A, it would be ranked at No. 37.

The top three ranking universities in the report card are: the University of Minnesota, the University of Wyoming and the University of Washington. Interestingly, none of these schools even made it in the top 50 of last year's report card, ranking last year at 54, 92 and 57, respectively. Some of these drastic changes may be due to more judging categories, more schools and broader data collection than last year's report card.

Predictably, the Ivy League ranked highest among all conferences, cementing their reputation for being all work and no play. Each of the seven Ivies ranked in the study placed in the top 40. Yale, however, dropped to number 16 after sitting in the top seat of last year's report card.

Three of the bottom four universities are from the Sunbelt conference, as are four of the bottom eight. These universities include: University of Louisiana at Monroe (138), Arkansas State University (137), University of Arkansas at Little Rock (136) and Middle Tennessee State University (131). In addition, Louisiana Tech University rounded out the survey with No. 139. I don't know much about the states of Arkansas or Louisiana, but it can't be a coin-

cidence that these two states alone account for three of the four bottom four rankings.

There are two huge surprises that caught me off guard in the study. The first surprise probably doesn't mean much to readers of the Tiger who aren't from New Jersey, so I shall explain. Being a Jersey boy myself, I have heard the gossip and rumors circulating around the state about the sexual cleanliness (or lack thereof) of Rutgers University. These rumors state that two-thirds of the Rutgers student body have HIV-AIDS. Now these claims seem absurd, but when you come from a state whose nickname is "Dirty Jersey," it becomes pretty easy to believe that twenty thousand or so students at Rutgers have contracted AIDS. Despite this, Trojan has Rutgers ranked No. 4. Dirty Jerseyans will more than likely not believe that these rankings are accurate, and will probably be angry that Trojan is tarnishing New Jersey's reputation for dirtiness.

The second great surprise in this study is really much more than a surprise. It is somewhere in the category of being an abomination to humanity, or an insult to everything that America stands for. Because, ladies and gentleman,

the University of South Carolina Gamecocks ranged number six in Trojan's Sexual Health Report Card. This is wrong on so many levels.

First, they're USC, and we're Clemson, and they ranked 76 places higher. What the hell? Secondly, they're Cocks! They love being Cocks, they love cheering on other Cocks, their homecoming week is a Cockfest, their campus is infested with a bunch of walking Cocks, and their football coach is the biggest Cock of all — Steve Spurrier!

On a serious note, Clemson is not deserving of the No. 82 ranking. I think it's absurd to rank universities' sexual health numerically. As any Clemson student knows, the sexual health of Tiger Town is in a much better state than a number 82 ranking would indicate.

It would be absurd to assume that Clemson has no sexual health issues because, like any large population of people, there will be deficiencies on an individual basis. However, Clemson is no more or less sexually promiscuous than any other university, and Clemson students are no more or less sexually healthy. Clemson's sexual health gets nothing but good grades in my book.

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BRANDON BILINSKI
STAFF WRITER



As "Halo" reaches the milestone third game in the series (the first on the XBOX 360), no longer is a review of the game even necessary. I could say that in "Halo 3" all you do is clean Master Chief's Spartan boxers and baby-sit his illegitimate half-human, half-covenant quadruplets, and it would still sell millions of copies. Let's go ahead and get the review out of the way then.

Halo 3 has good graphics, and while they are not as pretty as other next-gen games, the frame rate is incredibly smooth, and the landscapes are rather epic. The single-player game is short, provides a decent amount of series closure, and has some well-scripted epic battles. The online is nearly perfect; games are easy to find; the ranking system is awesome, and because of XBOX Live, people will play Halo 3 through the end of the XBOX 360.

Phew, now that the obvious is out of the way, I have to discuss the social implications of this phenomenal series. Microsoft and Bungie have not only created a game, they created an occasion and a thriving social environment. I pre-ordered Halo 3 (like millions of others), and showed up at Gamestop in Clemson at midnight, the time it was released. On arrival, I was greeted by a line that extended out to the car wash, brimming with XBOX owners salivating in anticipation. The three guys ahead of me in line were planning to skip all of their classes the next day so that they could stay up the whole night reaping their pre-ordered rewards.

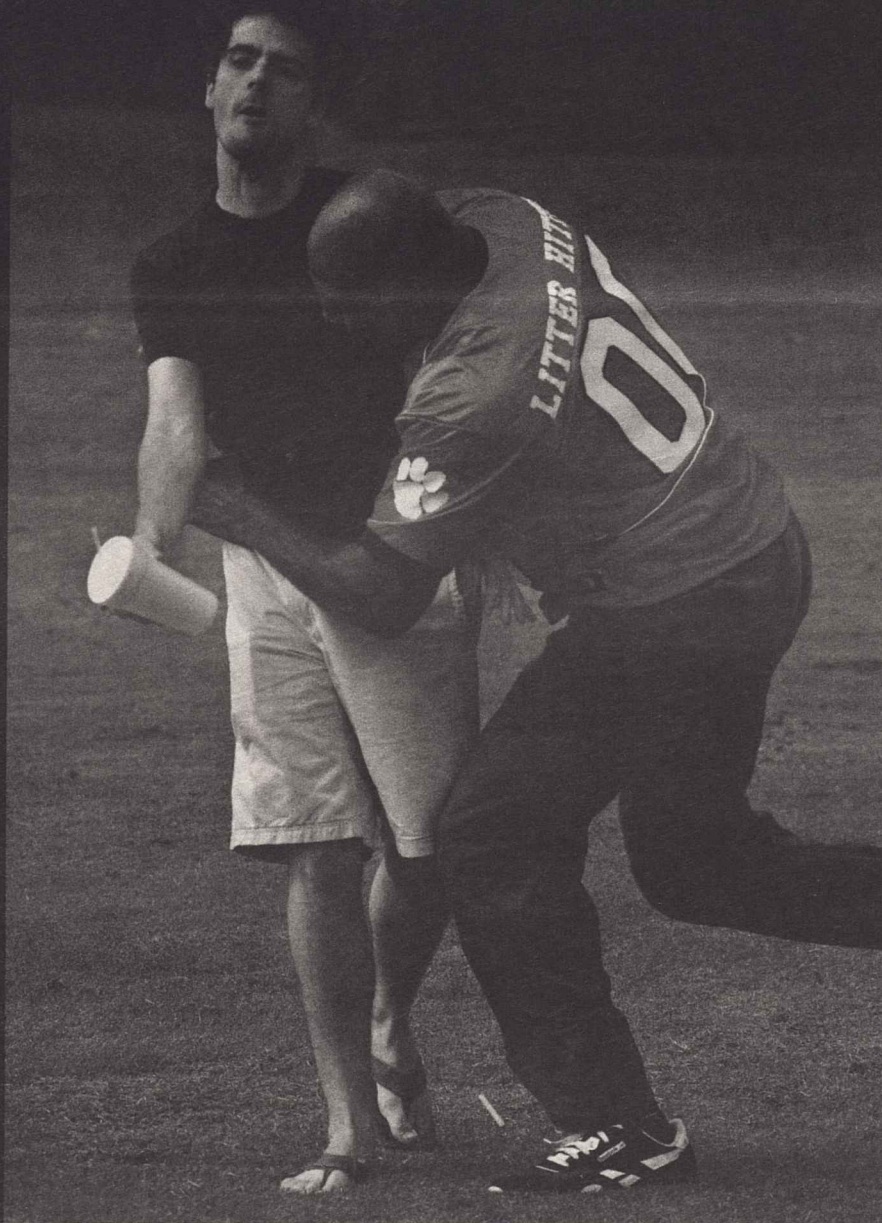
As bizarre as it sounds to wait in line for something there was a surplus of and that you had paid for in advanced, not a single gamer seemed phased. Over the next few days I was able to try out the online features of the game, and a certain statistic on Live blew my mind. Over the past 24 hours, 1.5 million unique players had played a match online.

This is a staggering large number of people when you consider the following: 1.5 million means that one out of every 4,000 people on Earth has played Halo 3 online in the last 24 hours. That number includes babies, octogenarians, people in Third World countries who not only don't have XBOX Live — they don't have electricity, your mother, my mother and millions of other mothers around the globe.

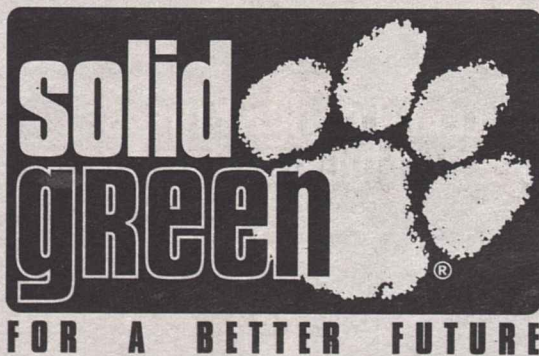
A few days ago I was on a team with a 14-year-old from Chicago, a 15-year-old from Scotland and a 10-year-old, who was actively arguing with his mom about playing another 15 minutes. After this match, all of us could edit the video from the match, post screenshots online and compare each other's stats on a webpage that was essentially the "Halo 3" Myspace.

With more and more people living out a second life online, Microsoft and Bungie have truly capitalized on a social revolution. It's only a matter of time before we see televised "Halo" tournaments on ESPN, e-Halarmony.com (a "Halo 3" players' dating service) and a Facebook "Halo" module that allows you to see which of your friends are currently playing. The XBOX has hit a homerun with this game release, and it will take a mighty piece of online entertainment to pry gamers away any time soon.

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Clemson thinks I'm dead. And they think you're dead, too.

The state of the Clemson music scene has been called into question. On Sept. 12, the local alt-weekly, Bootleg, wondered whether or not the Clemson music scene was alive or already six feet underground. On first thought, this appears to be a fair question. Where can local acts play? Are people still discovering new bands? Why aren't people talking about music?

In reality, the question borders on insulting. The music scene extends beyond the dials of WSBF 88.1. It's bigger than the Blue Heron, and it's larger than The Snake Pit. Bootleg certainly started the conversation, but we need to continue it.

I can't help but fear the local scene is in for a "Freaks and Geeks" fate. The failed NBC show was loved by critics and has a feverish cult following that loves the show as much today as when it debuted in 1999. At the time, there was something about the show that didn't click, but now it seems like the entire cast is off making movies.

"Arrested Development" is starting to face the same fate with Jason Bateman, Will Arnett and Michael Cera all on the big screen. In both cases, a few people became too passionate and undoubtedly ruined the

show for the casual viewer.

Just a few years ago, NBC started making a gravestone for "Scrubs," but before you knew it, every TV station had picked it up for syndication, and you can't channel surf without catching it. People will quote specific episodes to strangers at parties and instantly form a bond.

It's time that the Clemson music scene was given back to the casual listener. This is not an exclusive club. It's for listeners and musicians, for indie rock fans and country fans, for people who swear by their iPod and those who still fire up their record players.

The scene needs to stop acting like Turk and all his surgeon friends, but that doesn't mean you'll catch me as J.D. just trying to break into the club (although no promises that I won't start throwing around nicknames like Small Pete, Little Pete and Tiny Pete).

Well, where to from here? Instead of having our music scene called into question, let's have a call to arms. This is your space, my space, our space. The rock, country and hip hop, and it's all around us. I make it, you make it, our friends make it, and most importantly, we all listen to it.

So send me what you want to see written about. I want to know what you're listening to, what shows you're going to, what's on your playlists. I want to hear your thoughts on the Clemson music scene. Send your e-mails to dubilla@clemson.edu. Let's have a conversation. Do you hear that noise? That's the ringing in your ears.

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"The Guestworker" is a thought-provoking testament to the efficacy of the U.S. Government's H-2A Certification for Temporary Agricultural Work Program. Hill features the perspective of both the farmers who turn to the contract employment program because of local labor shortages and the Mexican migrant workers who travel to the U.S. to perform the back-breaking labor. The documentary focuses on the program's oldest member, Don Candelario Gonzalez Moreno, a 66-year-old Mexican farmer who has spent the last 40 years of his life har-

vesting crops. While the H-2A Certification guarantees safe passage into the U.S. for 'Don Cande,' who in the past had to immigrate illegally, he still has no hope of citizenship due to his age. Still, 'Don Cande' returns year after year to work and provide for his family in Mexico.

"The Guestworker" will play at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 11, in the McKissick Theater.

Following the screening, Cynthia Hill will engage the audience in a discussion about the film and her work as a filmmaker. Admission is free.

Newsboys at LittleJohn

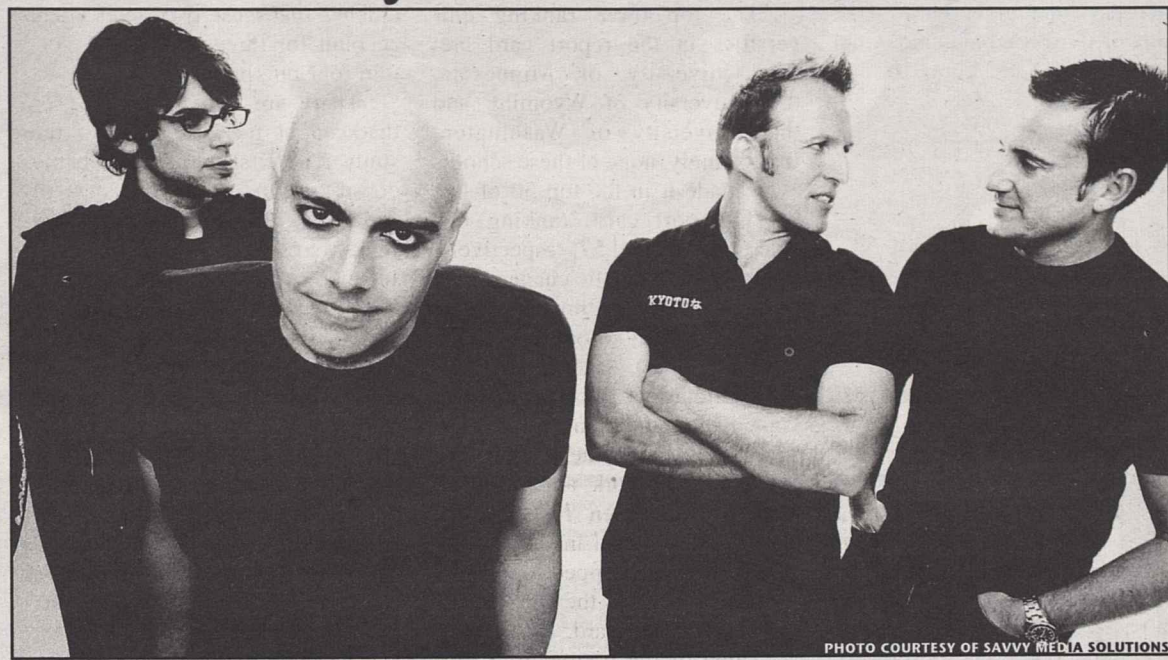


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Originally from Australia, though now officially based out of Nashville, the Newsboys formed in 1985, and arrived in America about two years later. Initially struggling to gain recognition, the band is now one of the best-known Christian groups currently on tour anywhere in the world. They first began to gain nationwide recognition with their album "Not Ashamed," which was released in 1992; this gave the band their first wide spread air time on Christian Radio.

They have since gone on to win numerous Dove awards, have been nominated for multiple Grammy awards and won a Billboard Music Video Award.

The fame and success the band has gained has not gone to their heads, and they are still very active. Recently they played at the Pentagon's 9/11 Memorial Service in honor of those who lost their lives. They have also had one of their songs featured in a tribute to the "Crocodile Hunter" Steve Irwin, commemorating the

anniversary of his death.

The band has been through multiple members since their formation, seeing replacements for vocals, guitar, bass and keyboards over the years. Most recently, bass player Phil Joel left the band to pursue personal interests. Unlike previous instances where members have left the band, the Newsboys have said that they have no intention of replacing Joel and will fill the bass spot with a synth-bass on the keyboards.

Despite the fact that the band has been around for nearly 20 years, they have not lost any of their drive or passion. They take time out of every concert to pray and give credit to God for their success. Holding true to Christian ideals makes it almost impossible to find anything negative about the band or any of its individual members. They have openly supported many different charities and are supported by a number of different Christian organizations.

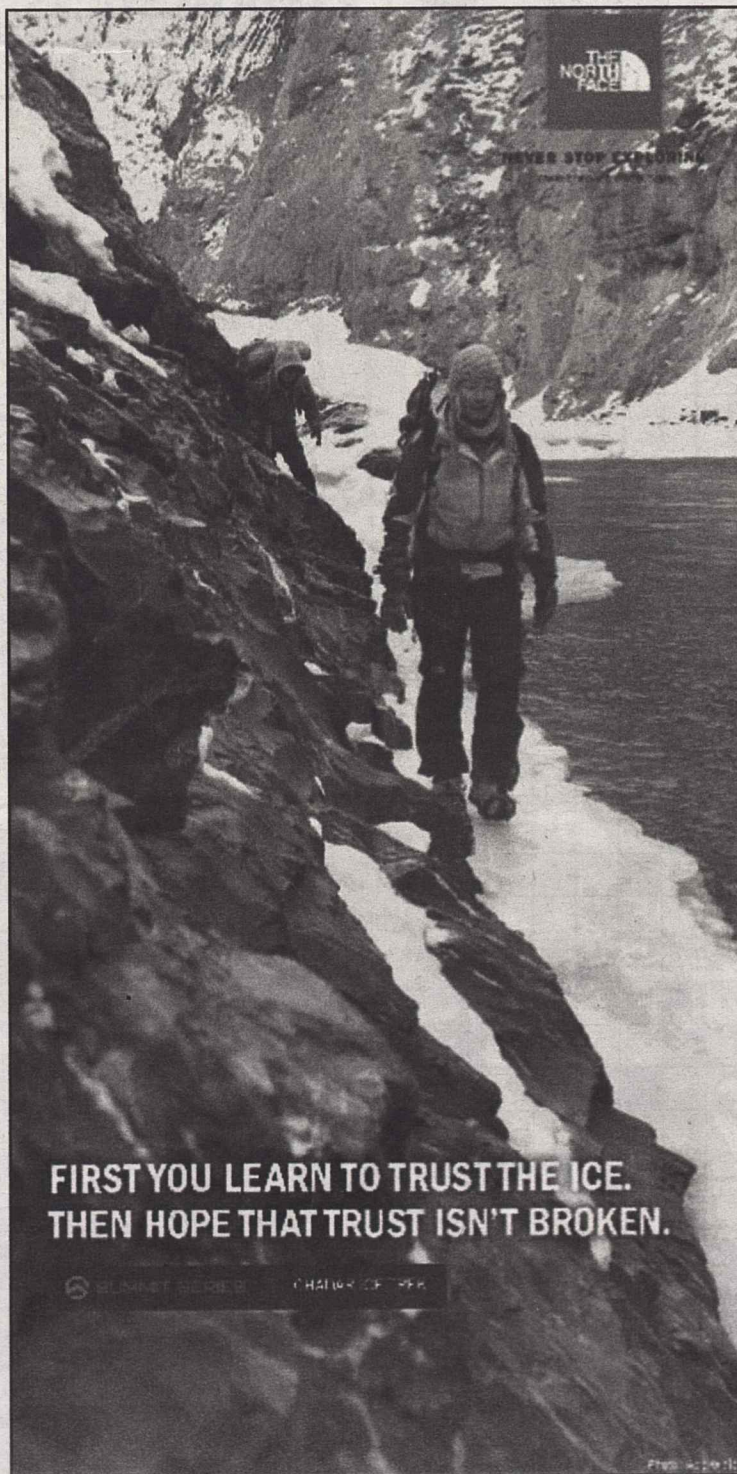
Their concerts are full of life and energy, and they will have the entire crowd on their feet in short order. The concert has as much of a kick and blast of adrenaline as any rock concert and is almost guaranteed to satisfy

even the toughest critics. Lead singer Peter Furler has a way of flooding a room with energy and keeping an audience entertained for as long as he is on stage.

The Newsboys have helped to bring more of a secular rock feel to the Christian music world. Writing mostly original songs that focus as much on the instruments as it does on the lyrics, the Newsboys have drawn in a crowd to the Christian music scene that would normally not listen to anything other than secular music.

Their concerts have enjoyed wide success from church youth group attendance and other large groups. They bring an event where different Christian groups gather to have fun in a family-friendly environment and where parents don't have to worry about what their kids are being exposed to. All the while, the music transcends generation gaps and allows everyone to enjoy it.

So with killer guitar licks and a powerful bottom end thump, the Newsboys concert is not something you'll want to miss out on. Currently on tour with Kutless and Stellar Kart, the band will be stopping in Clemson to perform on Thursday, Oct. 11.



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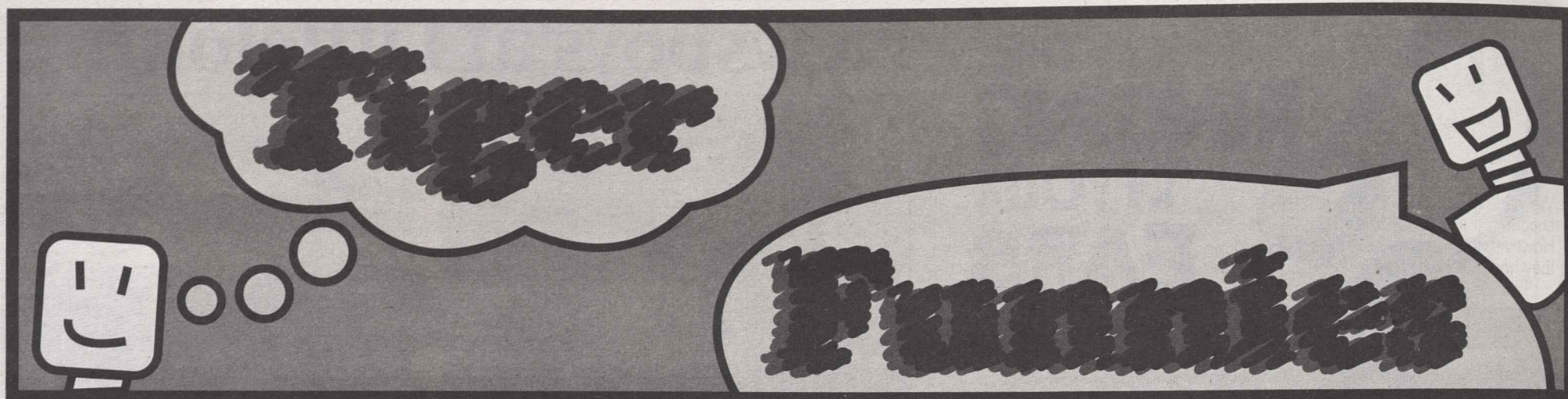
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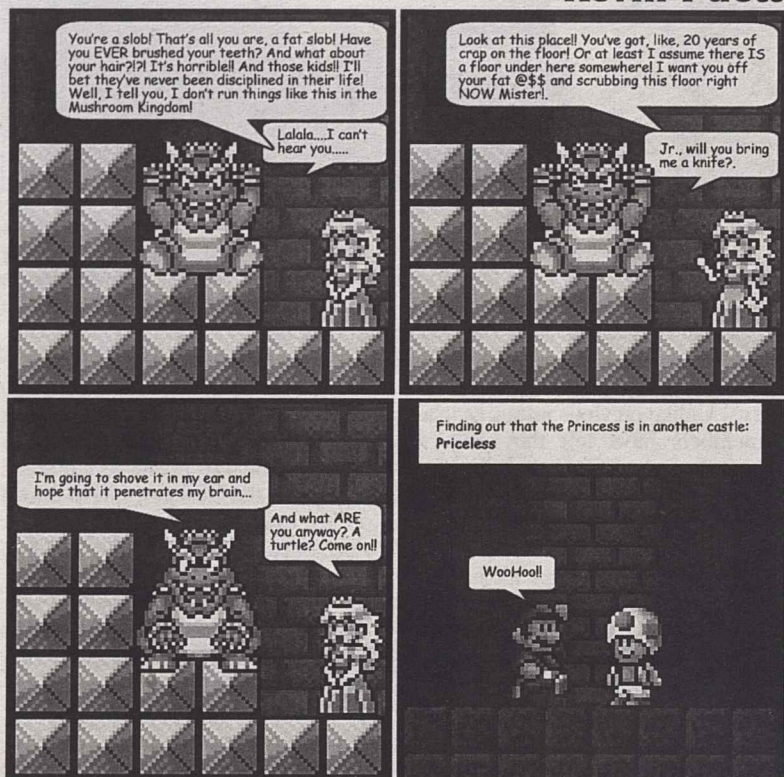


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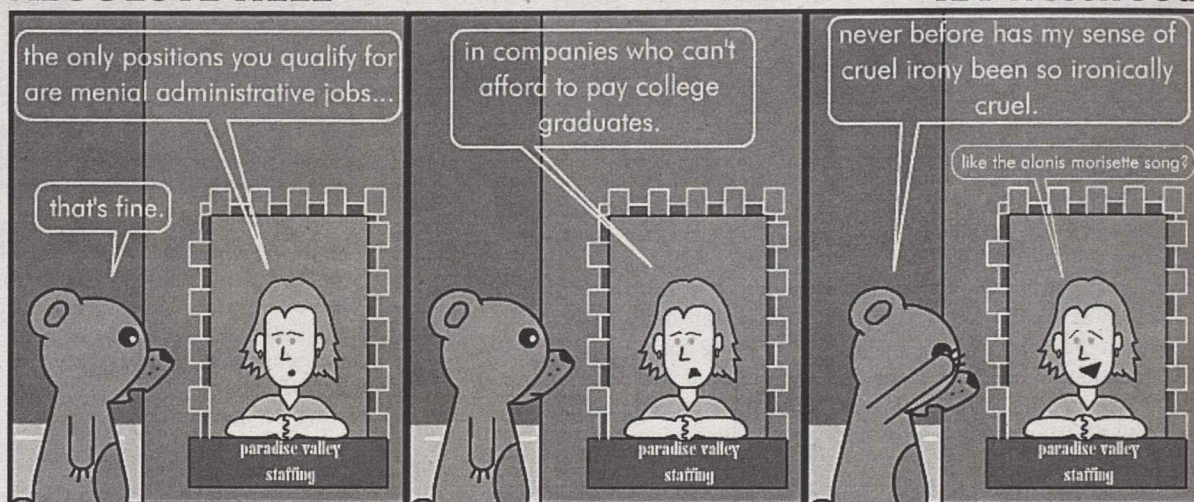
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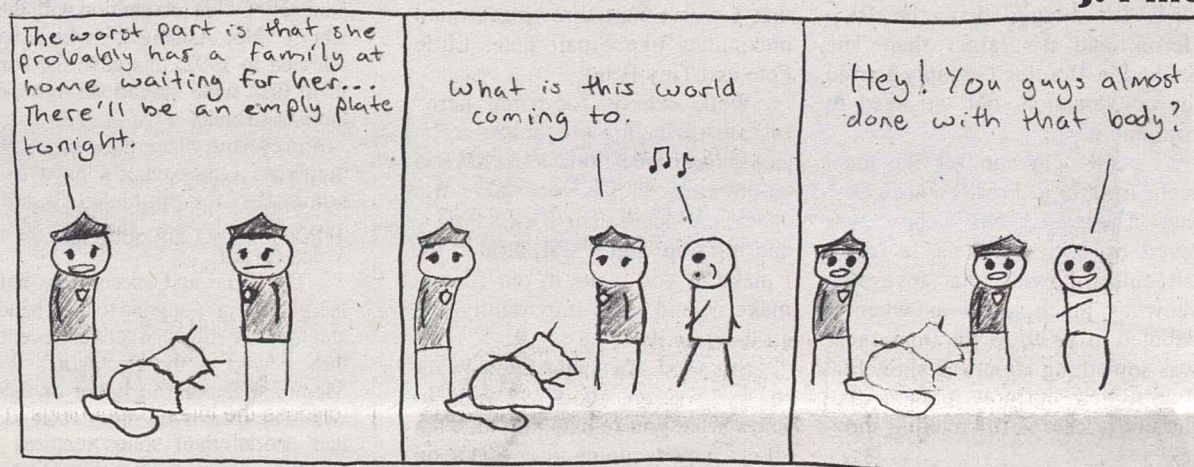


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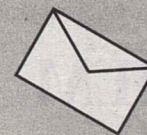
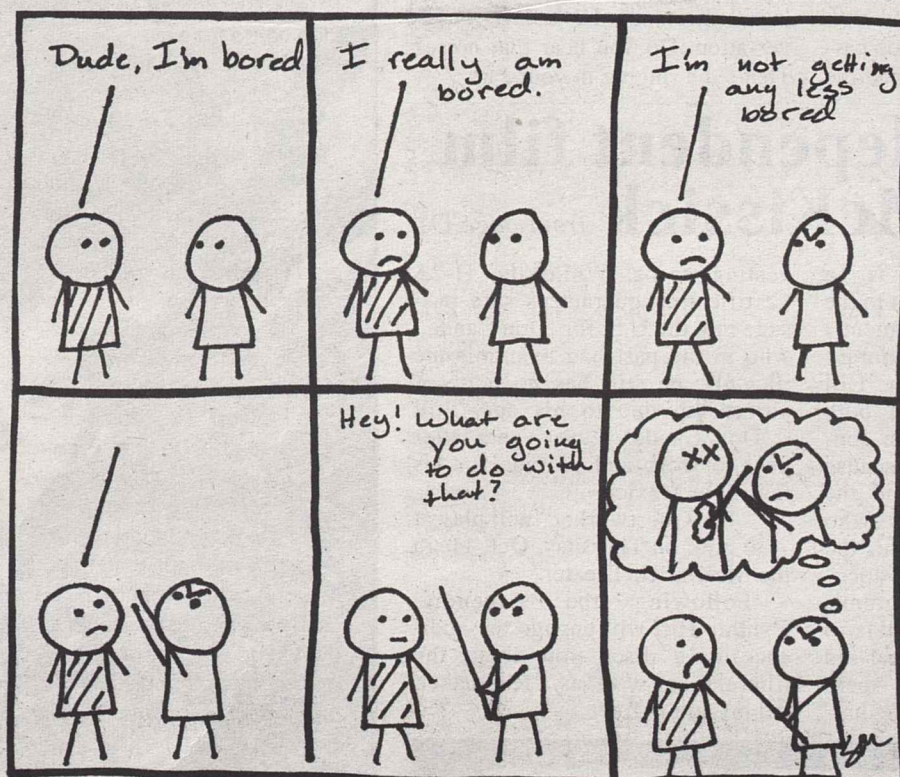
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UNIVERSE: Film has extreme theme *from page D1*

the lyrics? The overextended result is a film that has way too many elements going on at once to avoid the cliché trappings from which it springs. Vietnam was bad. Civil Rights was rough. Revolution was the word on the street. The Beatles had a lot of really good songs. We know.

Many critics have leapt to scrutinize the film's clichéd approach to the '60s and the work of the Beatles. And yet, a quick glance at Rotten Tomatoes brings up jabs such as, "Contrary to what you may have heard, love isn't all you need," and, "I saw a film today, oh boy," and, my personal favorite, "Taymor has mistaken a deeply clichéd view of the late '60s for a radical slice of the zeitgeist. Let it be."

Excuse me, critics, while my pen gently weeps. Using cliché to criticize cliché? Classy. But, it all brings up an interesting question, which I feel is the fundamental question surround-

ing the ultimate failure of this film.

Is it possible to create and reflect on this story without relying on cliché? "The '60s" has become, to current culture, a sort of caricatured version of itself. The same goes for the Beatles. To create a film that manages to connect and cover both of those huge things – in musical form no less – and provide any kind of fresh perspective or insight is a recipe for failure.

Conversely, I will admit that at certain points in the film, I was so totally swept into the fun of what was going on up on the screen that I forgot temporarily how ridiculous the whole thing was.

Highlights include a cool street scene where the commuters on the busy streets of New York all turn into a robotic, dancing mob of conformity, and a colorful and fast-paced bowling alley dance number that makes it hard for you to stay in your seat.

Another personal favorite moment is seeing Joe Cocker make a cameo as a street bum and then a pimp (really, Joe Cocker?). Also look out for cameos by Bono, Eddie Izzard and Salma Hayek.

The film flows seamlessly from number to number, but sometimes it's forced and stretched (a character named Prudence seems only to exist so that the main characters can all sing "Dear Prudence" to her in a scene that has nothing to do with anything and puts the breaks on any type of consistent plot development).

At its core, the film is a two-hour-long visually engaging but intellectually stale Beatles dance party with some somber notes thrown in here and there to contribute to the typical trappings of the '60s film genre.

Worth the trip to Atlanta? No. But worth seeing on the big screen? Probably. Just don't go in looking for revolution.

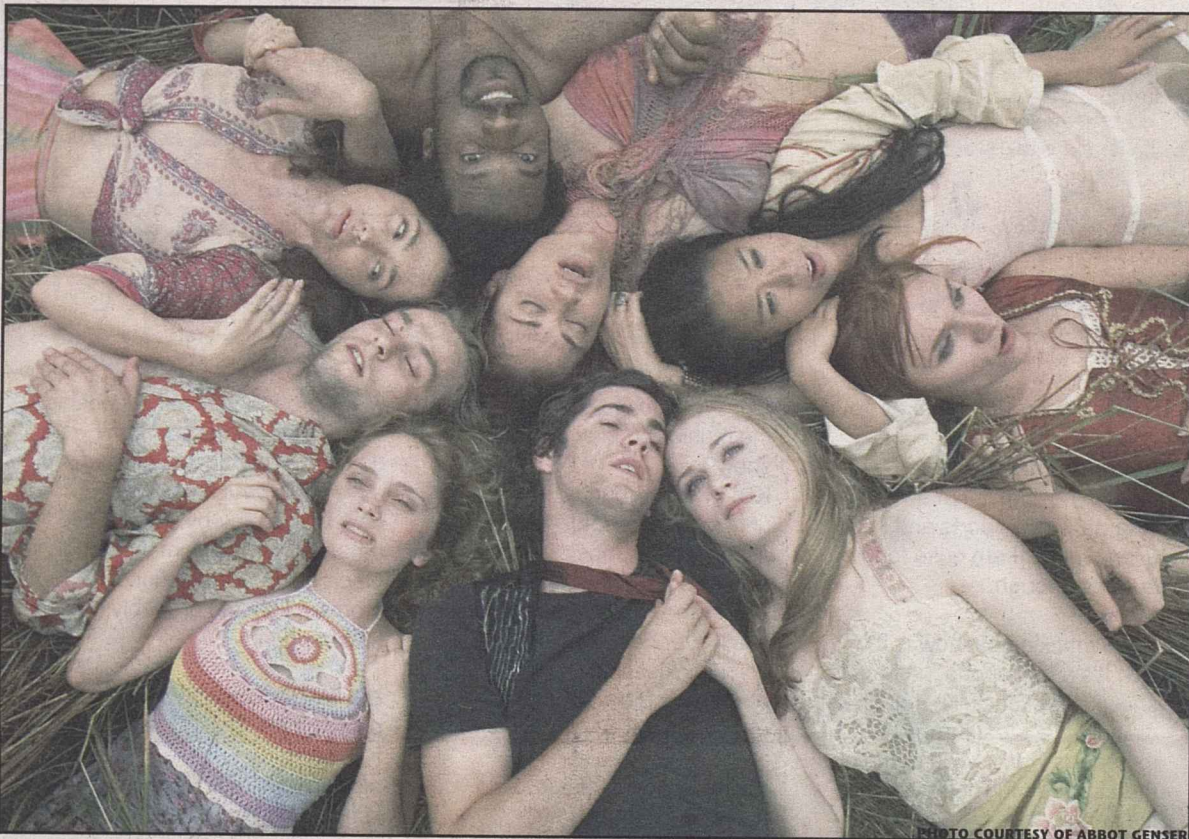
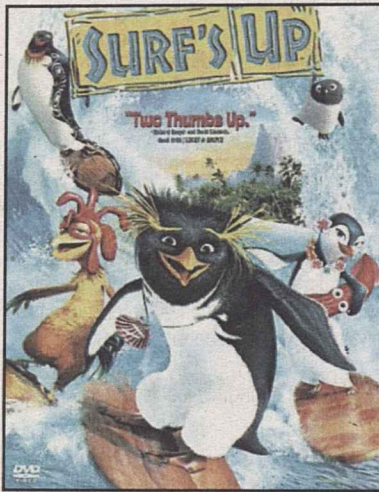


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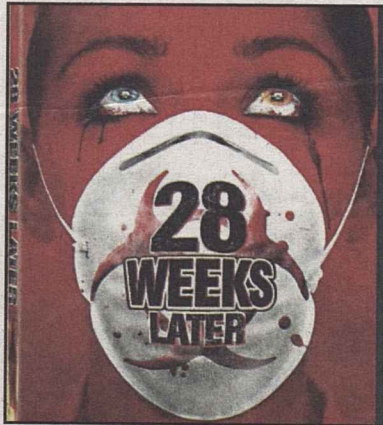
PREVIEW

DVDS "Surf's Up," Oct. 9



Penguins are so hot right now. In addition to their melting ice caps, they are also everybody's favorite animal du jour. The coma-inducing "March of the Penguins" started the obsession with the monogamous waddlers, and then came "Happy Feet" to jazz things up a bit. TimeOut isn't sure why another animated film about penguins is necessary, but then again what animated film is necessary? Perhaps this film, which is about penguin surfers, is really a highly political commentary about the future of penguins when the ice caps are all gone. Then again, probably not.

"28 Weeks Later," Oct. 9



TimeOut will be real with you, we are scared to see this movie. Much like we were scared to see the first in the series "28 Days Later." When words "virus" and "infection" and "apocalypse" start getting thrown around, we get all clammy and bothered. However, amongst the onslaught of increasingly lame "horror" movies clogging up the box office, it is refreshing to see the return of a true psychological horror story in the place of the ridiculous gore of today's trends.

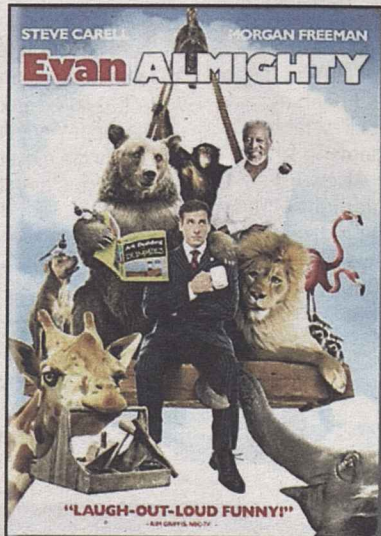
"Reign Over Me," Oct. 9



This latest Adam Sandler film is confusing. Not because of the plot or the characters, but because of the hair. TimeOut isn't sure what's going on with Sandler's 'do, but it is unsettling – almost as unsettling

as when he attempts to act in serious roles. He plays a man named Charlie who lost his wife and children in 9/11, and the subsequent coma-like existence he puts himself into in dealing with it. Don Cheadle plays Charlie's college roommate who reconnects with Charlie and attempts to help him piece back together his broken world. It's a heartfelt film that attempts to explore the realities of existence in a post-9/11 world, and therefore deserves points for trying.

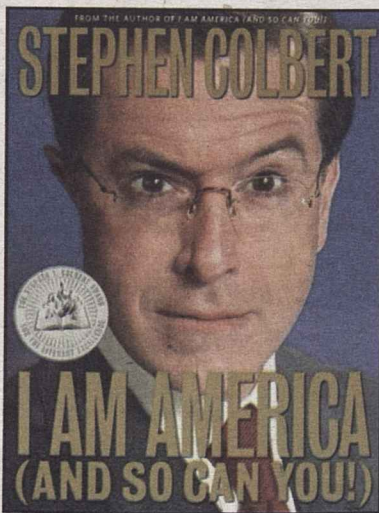
"Evan Almighty," Oct. 9



Oh, Steve Carell. As far as TimeOut is concerned, you can do no wrong. But "Evan Almighty?" Really? We are also particularly interested in how your character could go from being an obnoxious, power-thirsty, bad-haired egomaniac in "Bruce Almighty" to a respectably-coiffed family man married to a woman with Lauren Graham's looks. Also, the effect of "Bruce Almighty" was that Jim Carrey became God, not Noah. Noah was cool and all, but he wasn't exactly almighty. It is for these reasons that we simply cannot recommend this film (though it pains us), which seems to be the latest casualty in Hollywood's plot to ruin films with crappy sequels.

BOOKS

"I Am America (And so Can You!)" by Stephen Colbert, Oct. 9



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Most Clemson students have one thought when they hear the name Edgar's: "Oh, is that the place below the Union?" While most can identify the location of Edgar's, it seems the happenings inside are still obscure. To enlighten the student body of Clemson University, Jeff Williams, Associate Director of Union Building Operations, has allowed TimeOut to ask some ridiculous questions in order to solve the mystery of that place below the Student Union.



by Ashley Crisp
Photos by Max Thomason

From Edgar's to Union Recreation Center

To begin, Edgar's is no longer the name. In its place comes the title Union Recreation Center. "With the expansion of gaming space and our number of games, we felt that the name needed to change as well to represent our new image," says Williams.

Oldies but Goodies

Throughout the week, the center plays host to leisure skills bowling, billiards and dance classes. "We really enjoy the relationship we have with Leisure Skills, and I think that the students also enjoy it. We are also excited that the Table Tennis Club has started using our facility," said Williams. "They meet every Tuesday and Thursday evening and really step up our level of play."

The recreation center plans on remaining open on the weekends for Clemson students to either enjoy a game of bowling or to watch the away game on TV.

Changes

On top of its new name, the Union Recreation Center brings all kinds of change into the games and entertainment provided. For example, the bowling alley still remains a prominent part of the facility, but now black light bowling is offered every night of the week. Also, flat screen TVs have made their way in, replacing the old TVs. Orange and purple paint and Clemson-themed graphics are additions as well. "We really want to bring the Clemson feel back to the Rec. Center," says Williams.

Other additions to Edgar's can be found in the gaming area. Previously, billiards and air hockey had been available to customers. Union Recreation has now added six ping pong tables, two air hockey tables, three foosball tables and two dart boards. These tables are available to anyone with a Clemson University ID.

New hours are also a welcome change this year. The center has expanded its hours to 8 a.m. to midnight Monday through Saturday and 1 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Sunday. "We felt that opening earlier in the morning would give students something to do when they have an hour or so between classes," says Williams. The Union Recreation Center is still holding onto its early bird specials Monday through Sunday. From 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. bowling is \$1 per game and billiards are \$2 per hour.

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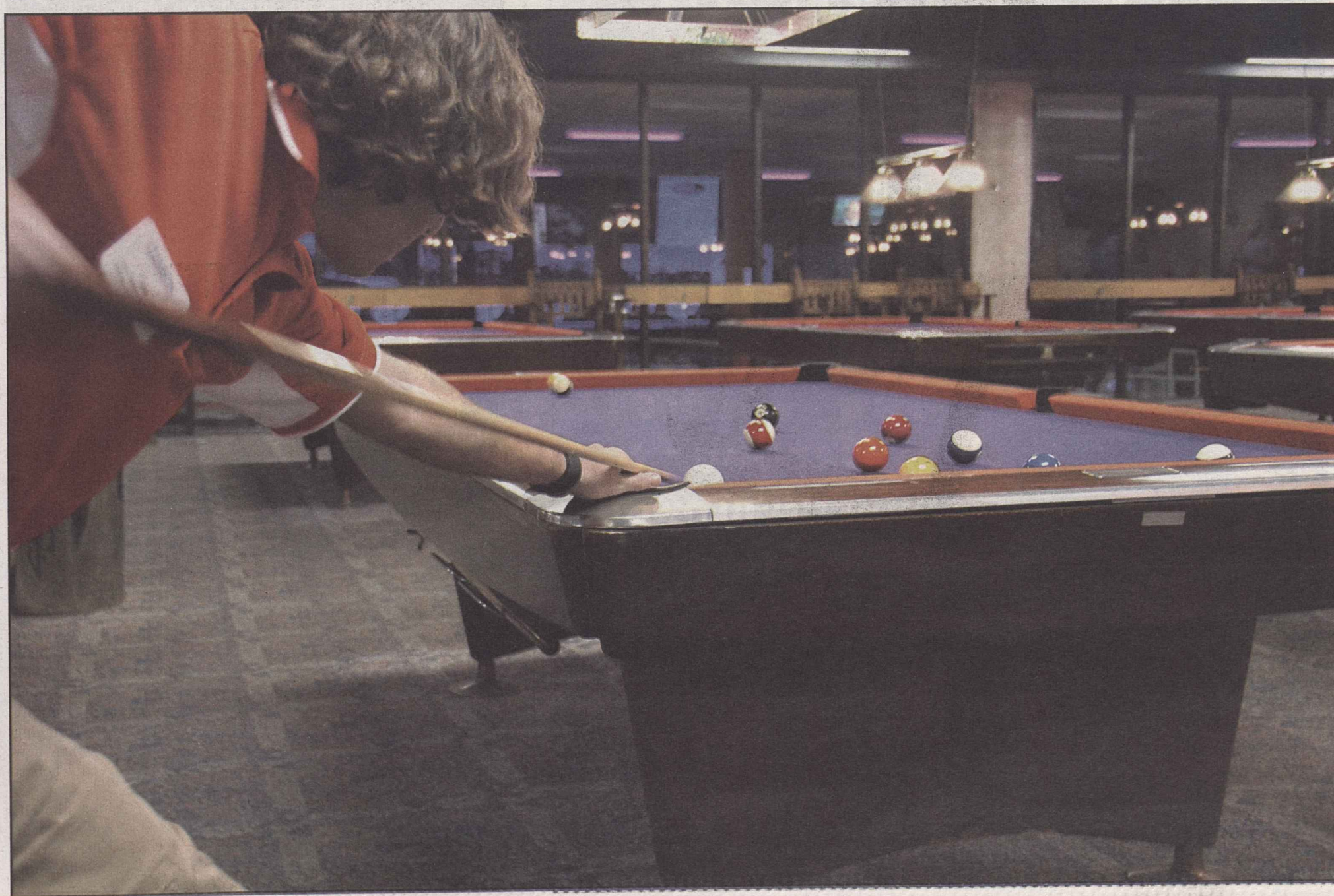
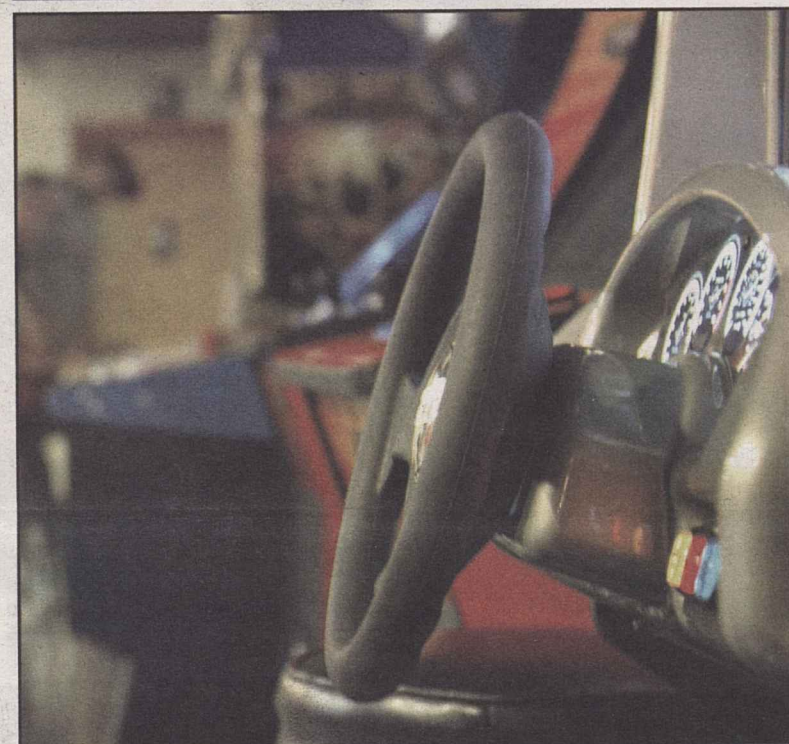
Probably the biggest expansion to Union Recreation Center is an arcade: more than 3,300 square feet of gaming has been added to the original area. Games like Dance Dance Revolution: SuperNova, Golden Tee, Silver Strike Bowling, Global Arcade Classics, Big Buck Hunter Pro and Need for Speed Underground can now be found only a few footsteps from the Student Union.

Also new to the recreational outlet is a lounge area with wireless internet. So for students who need a break from the library or their roommate, the Union Recreation Center can help those who value work over play.

Still to Come

Still on the way for Union Recreation Center is the First Friday Nights series. It will be put on by Clemson Student Involvement and will feature performances and free games. The events will be on the first Friday of every month, starting with October.

Also in the future is the possibility of intramural bowling, billiards and darts. "We are really looking to make a statement this year, so the possibilities are great," said Williams. We are really excited about bringing competitive play."



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